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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL APPROVES CHANGE.

LOYALTY HOPED FOR.

"Unless the dollar rises appreciably the Colony's financial position is very serious indeed," stated His Excellency the Governor, at a meeting of the Legislative Council held yesterday afternoon. The statement was made in connexion with a resolution implementing the Secretary of State's approval of the scheme whereby the salaries of sterling-paid Civil Servants will be paid as to half at 1/6d, and half at the current rate of exchange.

His Excellency the Governor (Sir William Peel, K.B.E., C.M.G.) presided, and there were also present:

Colonel R. B. Cousins (Officer Commanding the Troops).
The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E.).
The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E.).
The Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood).
The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, O.B.E.).
Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, C.B.E. (Director of Public Works).
Hon. Commander G. F. Hole, R.N. (Retired) (Harbour Master).
Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington (Director of Medical and Sanitary Services).
Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., (Inspector General of Police).
Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Kt.
Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D.
Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, LL.D.
Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, LL.D.
Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso, O.B.E., LL.D.
Mr. N. I. Smith (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

New Member.
The Oath of Allegiance was taken by Colonel R. B. Cousins on assuming his seat as Officer Commanding the Troops.

Standing Law Committee.

H.E. the Governor.—As this is the first meeting of the Council this year it is necessary to appoint the Standing Law Committee. I propose to appoint the following members who have agreed to serve:—Hon. Attorney General (Chairman), Hon. Colonial Treasurer, Hon. Mr. W. E. I. Shenton, Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso, O.B.E., LL.D.

Congratulations.

The Hon. Sir Shouson Chow said:—Your Excellency, as this is the first meeting of the Legislative Council since the New Year Honours were announced, may I, on behalf of my fellow Unofficial Colleagues, tender our hearty congratulations to your Excellency upon the further honour which His Majesty the King has conferred on you. I might add, Sir, that this honour has given great satisfaction to all sections of the community, in whose name we, the Unofficial Members, also offer respectful congratulations. (Applause.)

H.E. the Governor.—Gentlemen, I thank you most sincerely for the kind congratulations conveyed to me through my honourable friend who has just spoken. Whilst appreciating the personal compliment of the honour which His Majesty has graciously been pleased to confer upon me, I feel that it is in a large measure conferred on the Colony of which I have the privilege of being Governor. If it is in any sense in recognition of any services rendered, I realise that such services have only been possible through the help and advice I have received through Honourable Members here and from other members of the community. I thank you.

Salaries Question.

The Colonial Secretary moved the following resolution:—"That this Council approves the modification of its Resolution of the 19th June, 1930, on the Salaries Commission Report (set out on page

58 of the Hongkong Hansard for 1930) by the addition thereto of the following proviso:—Provided that, as from the 1st of January, 1931, and until the question of the exchange rate for sterling salaries paid to Government servants while serving in the Colony is next reviewed and until such rate is altered with the approval of this Council, this Council approves that such salaries be paid as to half thereof at the rate of 1/6 to the dollar and as to the other half at the prevailing Hongkong Treasury rate."

The resolution now to be put to the Council implements the promise made by His Excellency at the meeting of the Legislative Council on the 20th of October, 1930, when subject to the approval of the Secretary of State he engaged to accept the suggestion of the Hon. Mr. Paul Landor, in connexion with the exchange rate for sterling salaries, which you are now asked to approve. The Secretary of State has cabled his approval and has added the proviso that in view of the uncertainty of the dollar exchange it should be made clear that the Government will review the question from time to time, and it will be noticed that this point is embodied in the resolution.

Unofficial Approval.

The Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie:—Sir, the Unofficial Members of this Council are greatly indebted to your Excellency for bringing about the modification of the Resolution passed on 19th June last. They appreciate the very fair attitude you have adopted in connexion with this matter. Provided the modification is adhered to I do not anticipate there will be any further public controversy on the subject.

The basis on which salaries are to be paid under the new arrangement compares very favourably with the exchange compensation granted by most of the commercial houses here. Possibly some of the members of the Civil Service may feel that they have a grievance, as they will be in a somewhat worse position than they would have been had the original resolution remained in force. I feel certain, however, they will accept the decision of the Colonial Office in the right spirit, for all must realise that sacrifices are absolutely essential during the present world wide depression.

Spirit of Loyalty.

H.E. the Governor.—I thank the Honourable Member for his words of appreciation. I feel that the step had to be taken, but I regret very much that circumstances have rendered it necessary. I am sure that it will be appreciated that the proposal entails a measure of disappointment to many members of the Government service, and that there will be cases in which some hardship will be caused. It can hardly be denied, however, that the payment of salaries at the current rate of exchange, with the dollar as low as it is to-day, would have placed them in a more favourable position than was anticipated, or could reasonably be expected by them. There is also no doubt that, if it had been foreseen that the dollar would go as low as it has done, the Salaries Commission would have modified very considerably their recommendations. I sincerely trust, therefore, that Government servants will accept the position in a true spirit of loyalty, and will realise that the financial position has rendered this step absolutely imperative.

Serious Position.

The financial position, unless the dollar rises appreciably, is very serious indeed. It is calculated that the sterling commitments in the approved Budget for this year, amount to £577,773. This, for the purposes of the Budget, was converted at the rate of 1/4 to the dollar. If the dollar were to average 1/- for the current year, a sum of \$3,388,861 would have to be added to the expenditure figures. This, with the deficit actually shown in the approved Budget, which amounted to

\$2,299,096, would, in spite of increased taxation, make a total deficiency of \$5,687,957—a sum perilously near our present surplus. With the dollar at 1/1d, the deficit would further be increased by approximately 1 1/4 million. By the adoption of the half and half rate of payment, proposed by the resolution this afternoon, it will be possible to reduce the deficit of \$5,687,957 by over a million. I cannot give the exact figure, as it depends partly on the number of officers on leave, who will of course draw their actual sterling salaries in England, which will be converted at the usual rate through the Crown Agents.

Currency Question.

I would add that this serious position has been reached in spite of a ruthless pruning of the Estimates and the postponement of many desirable works. Investigation is being made as to whether further economies or postponements can be made. I am a chronic optimist, and still trust that the dollar may make some recovery, but there are many who take an opposite view. I should like to say that, as Honourable Members are aware, the report of the Currency Commission was sent Home some months ago, and is being considered by the experts. I trust that we may have some information from them before long. The question, however, is extraordinarily difficult, and it must be remembered that Hongkong is only a small part of a large fabric which is seriously affected by the price of silver, and that, so far as we can see, it would be impossible for Hongkong to attempt to take action independently of the rest of the fabric. Meanwhile, we can only be patient and hope for improved conditions throughout the world in general.

The resolution was adopted.

Registration of Nurses.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to provide for the registration of nurses for the sick." He said:—As stated in the memorandum of objects and reasons attached to this Bill, it is based on the English Act of 1919. The Bill has been submitted to no less an authority than the Nursing Councils for England and Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland and the Irish Free State and various recommendations have been incorporated in it.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Widows and Orphans.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend further the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinance, 1908." He said:—The objects of this Bill are explained in the memorandum attached to it.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Public Health.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend further the Public Health and Building Ordinance, 1903 and an Enactment referring thereto." He said:—This Bill, when passed, will repeal section 70 of the principal Ordinance, which has to do with the seizure of un-marked meat. It also repeals and re-enacts provisions contained in section 82 of the Ordinance which has been subject to amendment many times.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

The Census.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to make provision for taking from time to time the census of the Colony." He said:—It is intended to take a census this year and this Act repeals the antiquated Ordinance of 1881 and substitutes new provisions based on the Imperial Act of 1920.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Merchant Shipping.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled

ATTEMPTED ARMED ROBBERY.

FRUSTRATED BY VICTIMS' CRIES FOR HELP.

An attempted armed robbery which occurred in March 1929 was recalled yesterday when a Chinese, Fong Ping, was charged before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy, with having assaulted a Chinese doctor, Wong Sik-yuen, residing on the second floor of No. 60, Lai Chi Kok Road, with intent to rob, and also with having had in his possession, and that of others, two pistols and two daggers.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo instructed by Messrs. Lyson & Hall appeared for the defence.

The story for the prosecution was that the complainant, who lived in No. 60, Lai Chi Kok Road, second floor, had a notice posted in the street advertising a cubicle to let. A Chinese woman rented the cubicle on March 18, and occupied it on March 20. Three days later she returned to the cubicle with a man, the defendant, whom she claimed to be her husband. They lived in the cubicle until March 23, when the woman left. On the morning of the following day the defendant had four men visitors. They had some conversation in the defendant's cubicle and then came out armed with two pistols and two daggers. Proceeding to the sitting room, where the complainant was having his morning meal with his family, the four men and the defendant, who was armed with a pistol, held up the occupants. The complainant tried to put up a defence, but was stabbed by one of the men. His wife caught hold of the assailant's arm and in doing so also received a cut on her hand. The other inmates raised an alarm and the assailants all ran away, leaving behind them their weapons. A couple of months later two of the men were arrested and were charged before Mr. Whyte Smith, but the evidence furnished was not sufficient to get a conviction and the men were discharged. The defendant had not been arrested at that time. On January 1 this year, a Chinese detective received information of an armed robbery in Cheung Sha Wan and during investigations arrested the defendant. An identification parade was held at Yau-matli and the defendant was identified by four witnesses as the man who had lived in the complainant's cubicle. When he was charged at the station the defendant made a statement to the effect that he was one of the men who had attempted the robbery, but he denied having been armed.

The complainant then gave evidence, after which in reply to Mr. Lo he said that he had given similar evidence at the trial of the two men two years ago. He had, however, failed to identify the two men at the identification parade held. He recognised the defendant at the recent identification parade, though his wife could not. He said that he sometimes kept in his house sums of money ranging from \$100 to \$2,000.

After the complainant's wife had given similar evidence, Mr. Butters adjourned further hearing until this afternoon.

led "An Ordinance to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1909." He said:—This revises and increases generally speaking the fees in connexion with the engagement and discharge of crews which are contained in Table "I" of the principal Ordinance, and also makes a minor amendment in Table "J." Clause four of the Bill is a suspending clause, and this Bill will be referred Home and will not come into force in the Colony until its approval has been pronounced by proclamation.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Adjournment.

H.E. the Governor.—The Council stands adjourned until next Thursday, February 5.

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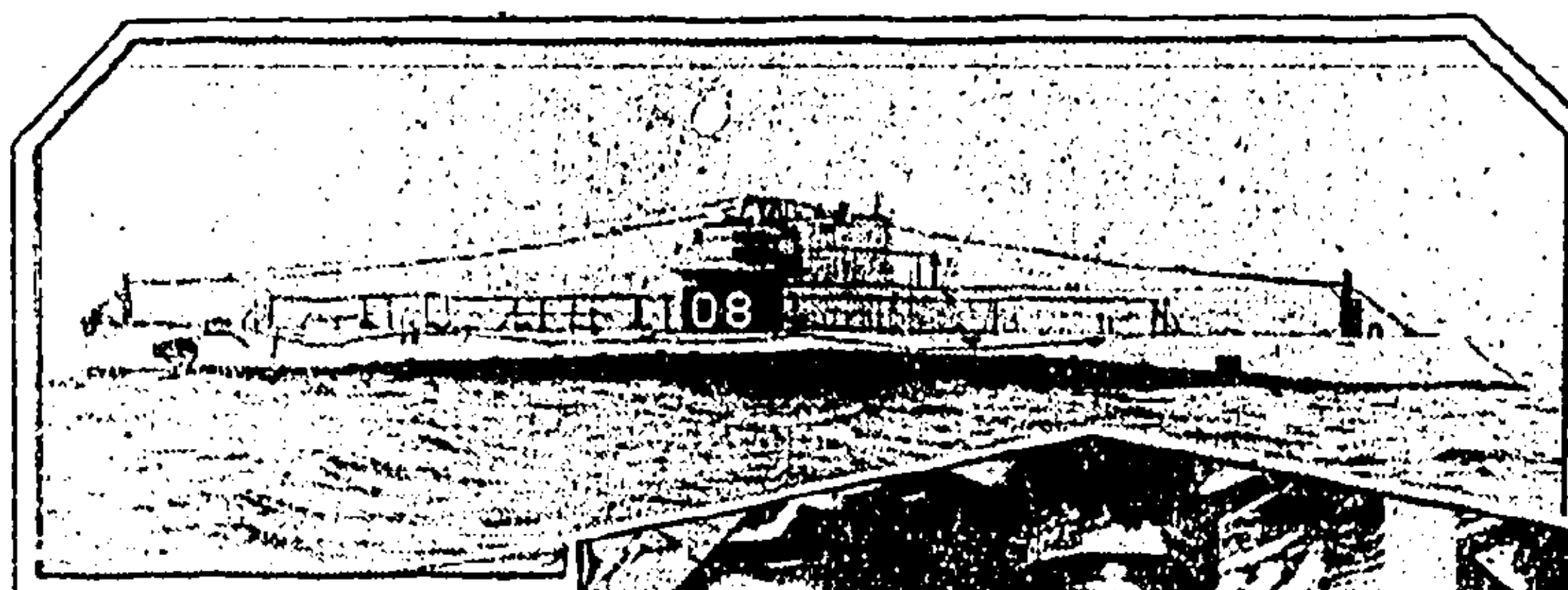
Mary Garden, world-famous opera singer, and Hamilton Forrest, the new American composer, formerly an office boy. He wrote "Camille" an opera in which Miss Garden starred.



Photo taken after the wedding in Shanghai of Miss V. T. Bang and Mr. T. H. Chou. Mrs. Chou is Associate Editor of the "China Critic."



Bishop Simon, the revered prelate of the Shanghai Orthodox Russian Church.



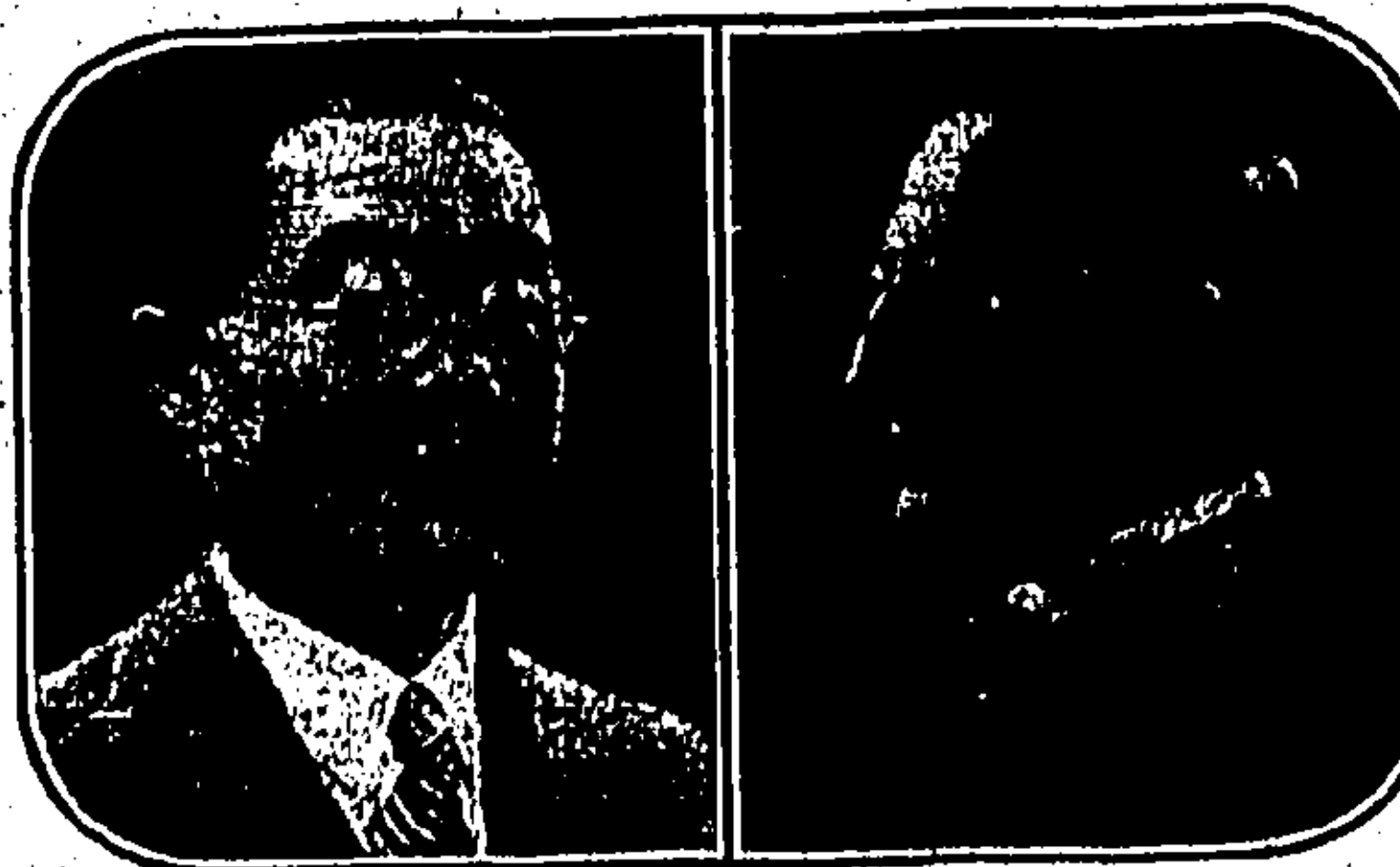
The experiment of broadcasting from a submerged submarine was made in U.S. recently, the O-8 and the operator being shown in the above pictures.



Dr. Washington Luis, deposed President of Brazil, being escorted to a liner which was to take him to exile in Europe.



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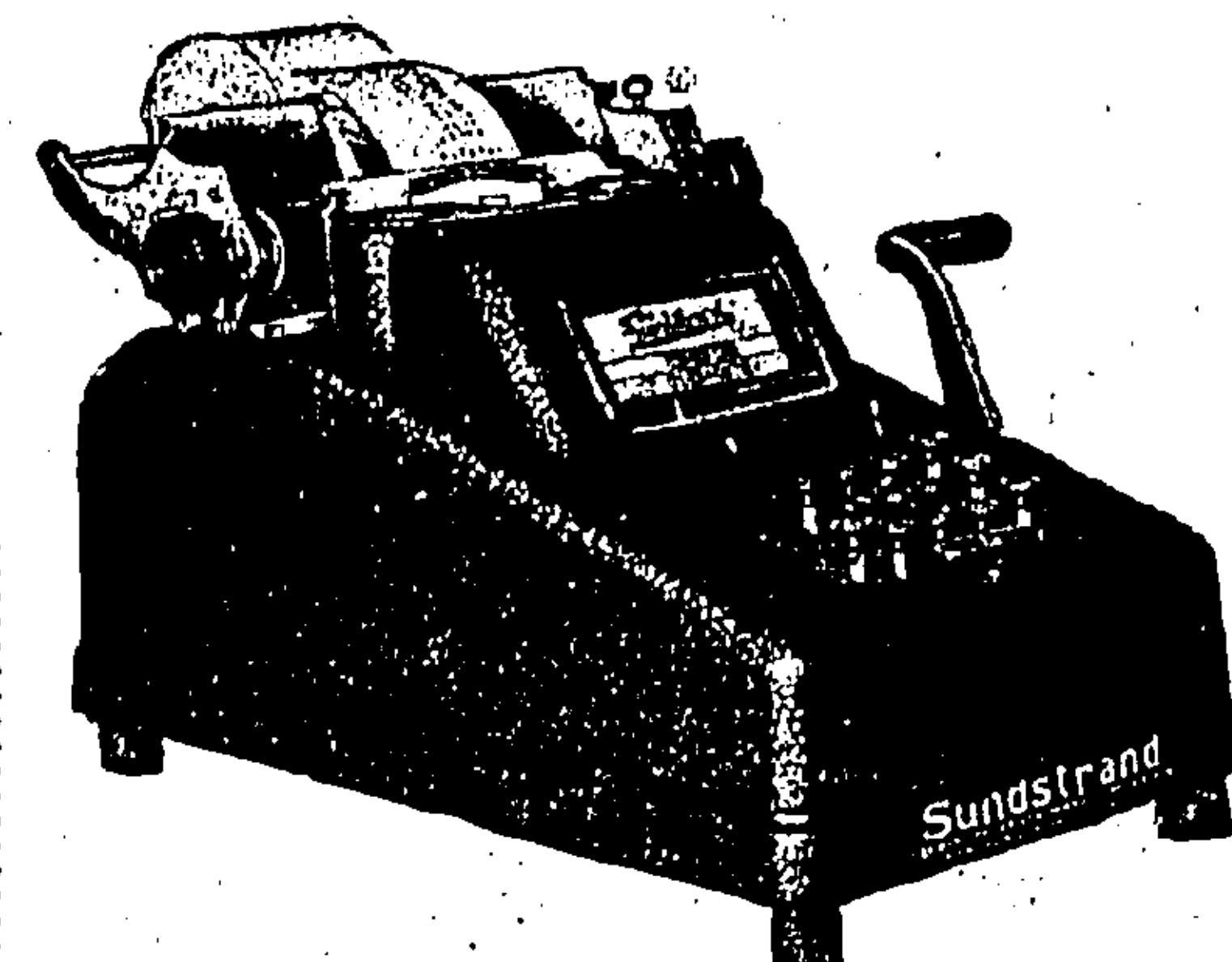
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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 2nd day of February, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hongkong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Area in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1415	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1401, Fuk Wa Street.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	As per sale plan.	About 12,500	\$96	\$17,725.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Area in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2186	Junction of Nathan Road and Boundary Street.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	As per sale plan.	About 10,340	\$210	\$45,950

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Linton, Jan. 28.
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There were 32 out of 115 day shift miners in the mine when the blast occurred, and two survived. The others had reached the pithead.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$2030 b.
Chartered Bank, \$16¼ n.
Mercantile A. & B., \$24¼ n.
East Asia \$120 b.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$1300 n.
Union Ins., \$600 s.
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.
China Underwriters, \$3.25 b.
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.
China Fires, \$475 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1300 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$23¼ n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$27 n.
Indo-China, (Def.) \$30 n.
Union Waterboats, \$39 s.

Mining.

Benguet, \$11 b.
Kailans, \$2/6 n.
Shui Explorations, Tls. 2½ n.
Rauba, \$39½ s.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$171 sa.
Whampoa Docks, \$30 b.
South China Motors \$10 n.
China Providents, \$5.25 b. (old).
Hongkows, Tls. 270 n.
New Engineering, Tls. 6 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 106 n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cotton, Tls. 14.30 b.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 88 (old) n.
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H. K. Land, \$84½ b. (old).
do, \$83½ b.
Shai Land, Tls. 345 n.
Humphreys, \$17.30 n.
Realities, \$9.40 b.

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H. K. Electric, \$80½ s.
Telephones, \$35½ n.
China Dunes, Tls. 19 n.
Singapore Traction, \$7/10 n.

Industrials.

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Malabons, \$27 n.
Gold. Muck, Ord. Tls. 11¼.
Canton Ice, \$3.60 s.
Cement (Combi) \$16¼ s.
Ropes, \$13.40 a.
Yenz. Goldfields \$3.50 b.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$26.25 n.
Watson, \$12.40 b.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawdons, \$4 n.
Mackintoshes, \$19 n.
Sinceres, \$13¼ b.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$24 sa.
Constructions, \$5.20 n.
B' que Ind. G. Bonds, \$07¼ n.
H.K.G. Loan, 6¼ Prem.

DOLLAR LINE.

READJUSTMENT OF TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

The local offices of the Dollar Steamship Line announce that effective from Hongkong with the sailing of their s.s. "President Jackson" on March 31, there will be a readjustment of their trans-Pacific service to permit of their steamers to San Francisco proceeding through the Panama Canal to New York. Sailings of the Dollar Steamship Line and the American Mail Line from Hongkong up to the end of March will be according to their present schedule but effective with the 30th of March sailing, the steamers of these two lines will be divided as follows:

On the San Francisco line, steamers will proceed from Manila to Hongkong, thence to Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, and San Francisco, Los Angeles, Balboa, Cristobal, Havana, and New York, and from New York will return to the Orient over the same route through the Panama Canal to San Francisco and return to the Orient via Japan and China ports. The steamers used in this service will be President Jackson, President McKinley, President Grant, President Cleveland, President Pierce, President Johnson, President Wilson, and President Hoover.

On the run Manila to Seattle via Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Victoria, Canada, the steamers President Madison, President Taft, President Jefferson, and President Lincoln, will be used. These alterations will permit of the company still maintaining their weekly sailing from Hongkong, alternating between Seattle and San Francisco and will at the same time permit of the extension of their service from the Orient to New York via the Panama Canal. It will not in any way affect the present round-the-world service of the Dollar Steamship Line and that service will still be maintained as in the past with a fortnightly service from Hongkong.

At the next meeting of the Hongkong Branch of The English Association, in the Cathedral Hall, on Tuesday, February 3, at 6.30 p.m., Father Byrne, S. J. will lecture on "The Beauty in Words, and Effects of Distortion."

POLICE CLERK AND A FRAUD CHARGE.

EMPLOYERS OF GUARDS WHO HAD TO PAY TWICE.

Police related to Mr. Williams at the Central Magistracy yesterday how a clerk employed at the Guards Office at Headquarters was able to perpetrate a series of frauds up to employers of guards before he was discovered and arrested.

The defendant, Ko King-wan, was charged with obtaining, by false pretences, sums amounting to \$39 from three shops in the city.

Of these amounts, \$57.20 was secured from the Chan Fan Kee Tea shop, No. 40, Kowling Street. Chan Poon-see, mistress of the shop, said that on February 6 of last year, when a strike broke out amongst the foks, she found it necessary to employ two guards through the Police Office. A man, who she could not say was the defendant, in the following month presented what looked like a bill but which, she was subsequently informed, was an ordinary debit form issued by the Guards Office and had not the value of a receipt. Having paid \$57.20, she was reminded of it again when a European sergeant came round to the shop and enquired whether she had paid her bill. She was given to understand that the money had not been turned in, and was obliged to pay the same amount for the second time.

The woman's evidence was corroborated by her manager, Wong Kee-pui, who identified the accused as a clerk he saw in the Guards Office when he went up there to engage the Indians.

Sergeant Walsh said that part of defendant's duties as a clerk at the Guards Office was to address the envelopes to people employing guards, but not to fill in the debit forms. The envelopes with the debit forms were then sent out by messenger, and accounts were made payable at the Treasury.

Witness recalled defendant as having accompanied him on his first visit to the teashop, when it was found that his services as an interpreter were not required, as the manager of the establishment could speak English.

Evidence of the defendant having called at his shop and obtaining \$17.60, on the pretext that he was collecting the amount for the Guards Office, was given by Ko Lo-chi, of the jewellery establishment of Ko Lo Kee, No. 1, Lyndhurst Terrace.

Lau Tat-tai, assistant manager of the Wing Hing Furniture Store, of 156, Johnston Road, gave somewhat similar testimony regarding another fraud on his firm.

Defendant had nothing to say, particulars as to his five years' service in the Police Department were given by the Police Officer prosecuting, Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E.

Sentences aggregating nine months with hard labour were imposed.

THE UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM.

CONSERVATIVES TO MOVE A VOTE OF CENSURE.

London, Jan. 29.

The Conservatives have decided to anticipate the Liberal Party's resolution on unemployment, by moving a vote of censure on the Government, which is expected to be taken next week.

The Conservative motion is: "That the House censures the Government for its policy of continuous additions to public expenditure at a time when the avoidance of all new charges, and strict economy in the existing services, are necessary to restore confidence and promote employment."

The National Executive of the Labour Party have decided against Sir Oswald Mosley's proposal to call a special conference of the Labour Party on the Government's unemployment policy.—*British Wireless.*

ALPINE TROOPS IN PERILOUS PLIGHT.

SIXTY-THREE ITALIANS CUT OFF BY AVALANCHE.

Paris, Jan. 29.

Sixty-three Italian soldiers are still marooned in the snow at Bardonecche, and cannot be rescued by ordinary means as there is constant danger of another avalanche.

Meanwhile, would-be rescuers have succeeded in passing to the marooned men eighty pairs of waterproof boots, through a specially emptied underground water conduit.—*Reuter.*

[An earlier message stated that a column of Italian Alpine troops on the march near the Franco-Italian border were surprised by a landslide avalanche, which carried away a captain and twelve men. A company of Alpini reported to be missing, was said to have arrived at Bardonecche with several dead.]

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

RADIO NOTICES.

Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this. Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle 10th January)	Pres. McKinley	January 30.
Shanghai and Swatow	Suiyang	January 31.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle 7th January)	Hikawa Maru	January 31.
Java	Storviken	January 31.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 12th January)	Tjibadak	February 1.
Straits	Allpore	February 2.
Manila	Pres. Taft	February 2.
Java via Batavia	Tjibadak	February 3.
Straits	Van Heutz	February 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Andre Lebon	February 3.
Japan	Melbourne Maru	February 3.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	February 4.
Japan	La Plata Maru	February 4.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Van B.C. 17th Jan.)	Kashima Maru	February 5.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 9th January)	Emp. of Canada	February 7.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 10th January)	Pres. Fillmore	February 7.
hai (San Francisco 10th January)	Pres. Jefferson	February 9.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
San Shui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	Fri., Jan. 30, 4 p.m.
Saigon	Borneo	Fri., Jan. 30, 6 p.m.
Shanghai and "Europe via Siberia"	Malwa	Registration, Fri., Jan. 30, 10.00 a.m. Letters
		Registration, Sat., Jan. 31, 9 a.m. Letters

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Comorin	Sat., Jan. 31.
	K.P.O.	
	Parcels	Jan. 30, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	Jan. 31, 9.00 a.m.
	Letters	Jan. 31, 10.00 a.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Parcels	Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Jan. 31, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	Jan. 31, 10.30 a.m.
		(Due Marseilles 27th Feb.)

Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	Nellore	Sat., Jan. 31.
	Parcels	Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Jan. 31, 9 a.m.
		(Due Brisbane 17th February).
Japan and "Canada via Victoria B.C."	Tyndarus	Sat., Jan. 31.
	Registration	Jan. 31, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters	Jan. 31, 10 a.m.
		(Due Victoria B.C. 24th February.)

Shanghai and "Europe via Siberia"	Tjibadak	Sat., Jan. 31, 10 a.m.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	Sat., Jan. 31, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Anking	Sat., Jan. 31, 5 p.m.
Japan	Glyne Maru	Sat., Jan. 31, 5 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Limechow	Sun., Feb. 1, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canlon Maru	Sun., Feb. 1, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiang Su	Mon., Feb. 2, 9.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Kutsum	Mon., Feb. 2.
	Parcels	Mon., Feb. 2.
	Letters	Mon., Feb. 2.

Japan, "Canada, U.S.A., "Central and "South America and "Europe via Victoria B.C."	Pres. Taft	Mon., Feb. 2.
	Parcels	Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Jan. 31, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	Jan. 31, 5 p.m.
		(Due Victoria B.C. 20th Feb.)

Shanghai and "Europe via Siberia"	Pres. Taft	Mon., Feb. 2.
	Registration	Jan. 31, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Jan. 31, 6 p.m.
Rabaul	Brumerhaven	Mon., Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
Manila & Java via Sourabaya	Tjibadak	Tues., Feb. 3, 9.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Yusang	Tues., Feb. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Saigon, "Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and "South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Andre Lebon	Tues., Feb. 3.
	K.P.O.	
	Registration	Jan. 30, 1 p.m.
	Letters	Jan. 30, 1 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Registration	Jan. 30, 1.45 p.m.
	Letters	Jan. 30, 2.30 p.m.
		(Due Marseilles 6th March.)

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues., Feb. 3, 2 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	Melbourne Maru	Tues., Feb. 3.
	Parcels	Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Jan. 31, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	Jan. 31, 5 p.m.
		(Due Brisbane 17th Feb.)

Straits	Philoctetes	Tues., Feb. 3, 2 p.m.
Swatow	Kwong Sang	Tues., Feb. 3, 5 p.m.

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CINEMA NOTES.

"ROMANCE," PERFECT
VEHICLE FOR GARBO.

Greta Garbo and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer have done right by each and their public in "Romance," which is showing on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

To begin with, Garbo has given her producers the greatest performance of her career. And the producers have supplied Garbo with the finest starring vehicle obtainable for a talking picture. Both have given the public the kind of Garbo it likes best. Garbo, in her new role, is as glamorous as "Anna Christie" was drab. Although both plays are founded upon the same theme, a conflict between lovers, they bear each other no resemblance whatever. To Clarence Brown, who directed both, is due credit for having guided the screen favourite through the perils of her first microphone experience. With the novelty of hearing Garbo's voice second to interest in her role, it appeared to this interviewer that she has become entirely oblivious of the microphone, whatever apprehension she felt in the making of "Anna Christie" having been dispelled by its great acclaim.

Instead of the strong Swedish dialect of her first talkie, Garbo uses a piquant Italian accent in her new role, that of the exotic opera star, mistress of men, who falls in love with the unsophisticated pastor of St. Giles Parish. At times in this characterization she is called upon to speak in pure Italian. We are not prepared to say whether or not it is good Italian she speaks but nevertheless her linguistic versatility is startling.

"Thunderbolt," now showing at the Central Theatre, are strong drama and an emotional climax. Opening in the intriguing atmosphere of Harlem's black metropolis, where George Bancroft as a fearful death-dealer sways the lives and destinies of hundreds of human beings, it swings to the awe-inspiring setting of Sing Sing's death row, where the final exciting climax in this most exciting drama are enacted.

The story captures and vivifies the dramatic incidents that cross the news horizon in the newspapers every day. It goes behind these sifting episodes and brings the whole tale forward. Superbly acted by a splendid cast, headed by Bancroft, Richard Arlen and Fay Wray, it is a slice of contemporary life made to live.

"Man Trouble" at the Queen's Theatre. Dorothy Mackall, a young and gifted actress of the noble screen, attains complete success in "Man Trouble," a "straight" story, which commenced a three days' screening at the Queen's Theatre yesterday. The producers have got away from trivialities in this picture, and by a judicious choice of actors and giving them distinctive roles, have portrayed a story which is both convincing and impressive.

Miss Mackall is cast as a disillusioned girl who recovers her interest in life through an aesthetic enjoyment of the simplicity of things. Milton Sills, as a ruthless gangster, conveys an impressive role of the crook who keeps his gang down with a heavy hand and blares, so to speak, his way through a maze of intrigue. Kenneth Mackenna is the newspaper man whose articles touch the responsive chord in the girl's heart which gives her renewed interest in the goodness of things, and Harvey Clark and Edythe Chapman are the old-fashioned couple who show up so delightfully in the simple home-life of the farm tucked away in the country-side.

Altogether, "Man Trouble" is good and should interest picture-goers.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	123.89 1/2	123.90 1/2
Geneva	25.10	25.11
Berlin	20.43 1/2	20.43 1/2
Oslo	18.10 1/2	18.10 1/2
Copenhagen	19.27 1/2	19.27 1/2
Athens	37.5	37.5
Buenos Aires	34.3/16	34.3/16
Shanghai	1/3 1/2	1/3 1/2
New York	4.85 11/16	4.85 19/32
Amsterdam	12.07 1/2	12.07 1/2
Stockholm	18.14 1/2	18.14 1/2
Madrid	34.54 1/2	34.54 1/2
Bucharest	47.40	47.35
Montevideo	34 1/2	34 1/2
Hongkong	11 1/2	11 1/2
Brussels	34.83	34.82 1/2
Milan	92.74 1/2	92.75 1/2
Copenhagen	18.16	18.16
Prague	164 1/2	164 1/2
Lisbon	108.25	108.25
Rio	4.3/16	4.3/16
Bombay	1/5 1/2	1/5 1/2
Yokohama	2/0.15/32	2/0.7/16
Silver (spot)	13 1/2	13.13/16
" (forward) 13 1/2		13.9/16

—British Wireless.

WOMEN'S WORLD
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FASHION NOTES.

Choose Your Own Type.

Women this season are accepting their own natural allotments in the way of figures, prizing this as part of their personalities, and playing it up, instead of trying to look all alike.

And the response of fashion creators to this feminine revolt is to throw down practically all of the fixed barriers of style. There is, for instance, every length and type of coat in Paris fashions this season. You choose your own type, and if you don't know how to express yourself in your choice, it is not the fault of the fashions. A woman wearing a long, simple coat, with a waistline adjusted to her height and bulk, is very smart, and so is the woman who wears a brief, doorman jacket, and she who chooses a fitted and flaring wrap that reaches to the knees or thereabouts.

Your coat may be one length, and your dress another. Your coat may be one colour, and your frock a dissimilar hue. The "ensemble" is assembled with the greatest liberty in these matters. You choose your colours according to how they vibrate to your personality, and how neatly they fit your circumstances and environment. You do the same thing with the materials which make your clothes, and with the decoration of your dress.

A New Night Gown.



pathetic or admiring. He never felt elevated after he had been with them, as he did when alone in the house with just his mother. His pride suffered from that ruthless attitude of theirs.

The child with an inferiority complex usually is the most sensitive. His pride always is on the alert. If he find that by playing alone he is saving his feelings from being scraped, play alone he will.

Some Choose Own Friends. Sometimes, of course, he will play alone because the children he knows are too entirely different from his own make-up to cause him the least interest. Older people may choose their own friends, and little people should have the same right.

One way to approach the matter of bringing the little hermit out of his cave is through this very idea: to see if congenial spirits won't lift the self-imposed quarantine; also to study the things that interest him most and then to work other children into his favourite plays.

It is the kindest thing in the end, if possible to get him accustomed to different sorts of companions, for he has to live in a social world made up of a variety of people and he needs preparation for that.

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Sequins as seen in some of the newest necklaces have a most attractive, iridescent appearance. Small blue glass beads are strung alternately with large beads covered entirely with shot blue and green sequins; bracelets, too, may be obtained to match.

YOUR CHILDREN.

[By Olive Roberts Barton.]

Does your child like to be alone? Would he rather play by himself for hours at a time than mix with other children?

This in itself is all right. But children need companions, other kindred spirits, just as old people do. It is not good to be too much alone.

There are several reasons for this love of solitude in a child, but the most common one is due to his own emotional make-up. The child who builds up a little dream world of his own, an imaginative place peopled only by shapes and figures of his own conjuring, usually is the high-strung, sensitive type who shrinks from reality.

A Lonely Existence.

There are many people who go through life actually living alone although there may be hundreds of people about them. They refuse to enjoy any happiness except that of their own thoughts and their own feelings. That these feelings are occasionally morbid does not lessen the enjoyment of them in the least.

Again the child may be seeking release, not particularly to enjoy his own air castles, but through fear of contact with other children. He is saving himself instinctively from exposure to all sorts of things, not his body particularly, but his mind and his easily hurt feelings. His brief experience with playmates may have caused the discovery that a day's play with them brought a variety of sensations that he did not enjoy.

Perhaps his playmates were not always kind or generous or sym-

STICKLERS

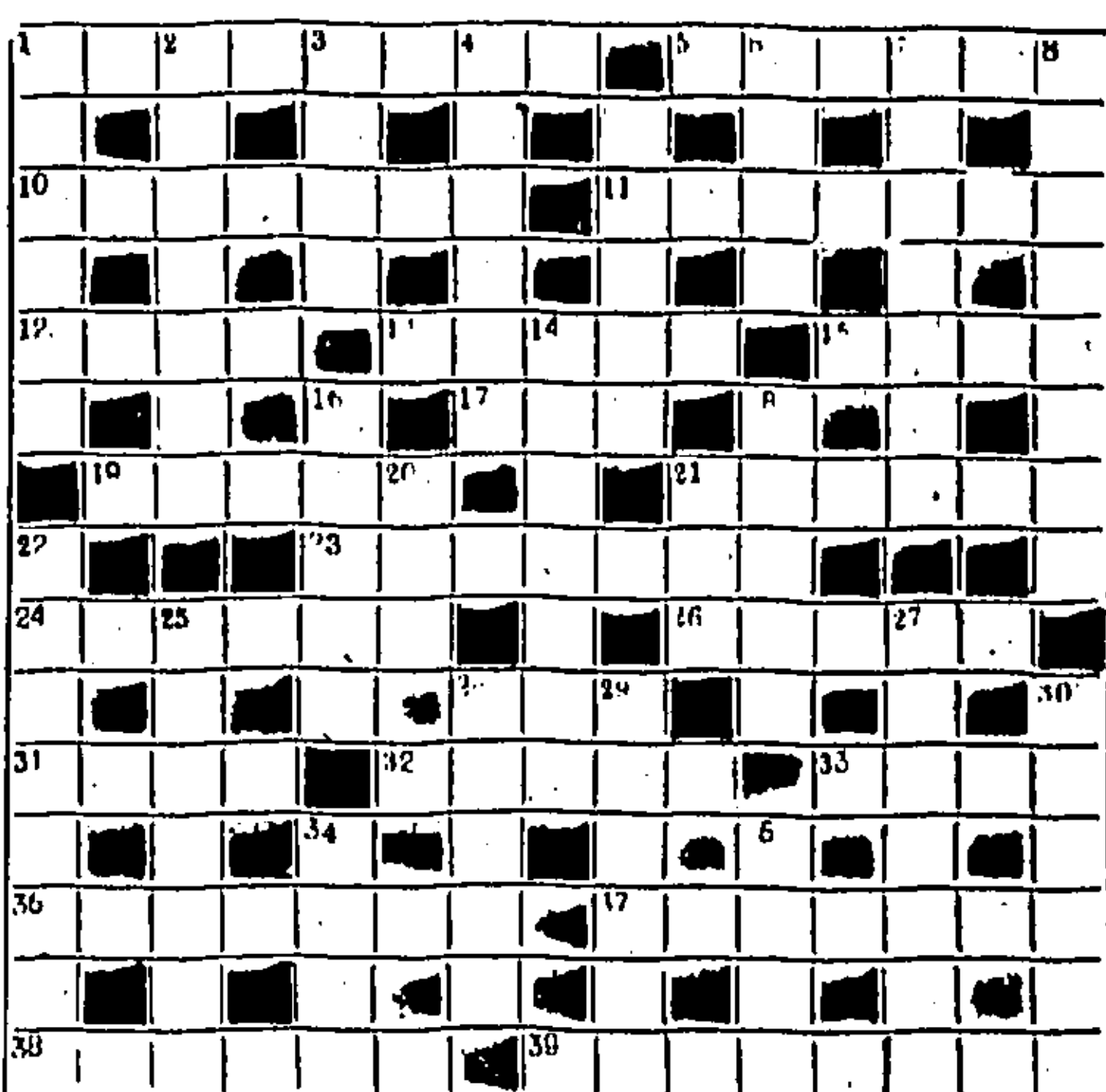


THREE women went to market to sell apples. The first had 33, the second 29 and the third 27. Each of them saw the same number of apples for a penny and yet, when they got home, they found that each had received an equal amount of money. How?

Yesterday's Solution.

Using the successive numbers 12345 in the order of 13425, will let you multiply the first two numbers by the middle one and give you the last two numbers as the result.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- "Joy is an—; Joy flies monopolists; it calls for two."—Young, "Night Thoughts."
- Only foolish parents treat their children thus.
- "O! call me" from the chemist's shop (anag.).
- Here a musical instrument begins to spell death to the whale.
- Declines.
- Would have sounded like forty only to Julius Caesar, in spite of its meaning to surpass.
- Grab one, at all events, and bring her back (hidden).
- There are two little rivers of this name in the Isle of Wight.
- Danger.
- Gives glitter to the circus fairy.
- Flapper characteristics.
- Though this travels in space at high rates, it does not canvass for advertisements.
- He was bowed down by the weight of the world.
- You may take a dip in this without a costume.
- "Come one, come all this—shall fly from its firm base as soon as I."—"Lady of the Lake."
- Do not let this make you lose your head—even with an extra head there is peril.
- I'd leave no unusual toys there if I were you (hidden).
- Give me that flower, "mean one!" (anag.).
- What kind of workman holds a boat?
- A tomboy starts off with a shout.
- He makes tankards.

Down

- Surpass.
- Diameter of a bullet, for example.
- If you are going to make a fuss in general, you must hear my side as well (hidden).
- Jolly at the beginning and end, but a bit slack in between.
- Knocked sideways.

- Intrepidity.
- Useful in a stable-yard, or in conjunction with 37 across.
- Pure and perpendicular.
- An insinuating method of acquisition.
- The one on the Niger subsequently wore the amble.
- The two that Camera possesses are among the most talked of to-day.
- The only bright part of a flitting.
- "I thou art, thou sober, sage and venerable Herd; thou female-tongue-running, smile-smoothing, heart-opening, wink-tipping cordial."—Colley Cibber, "The Lady's Last Stake."
- You should not find it difficult to get near this clue.
- The pastime of the torophyllite.
- The account-cooker's Nemesis.
- Set in reversed.
- Spirit of the waters, absolutely non-intoxicating.
- Don't lose this cheque.
- As an article of 35 down, this is only useful to a dog.
- The subject of many widely divergent theories in recent years.

Yesterday's Solution

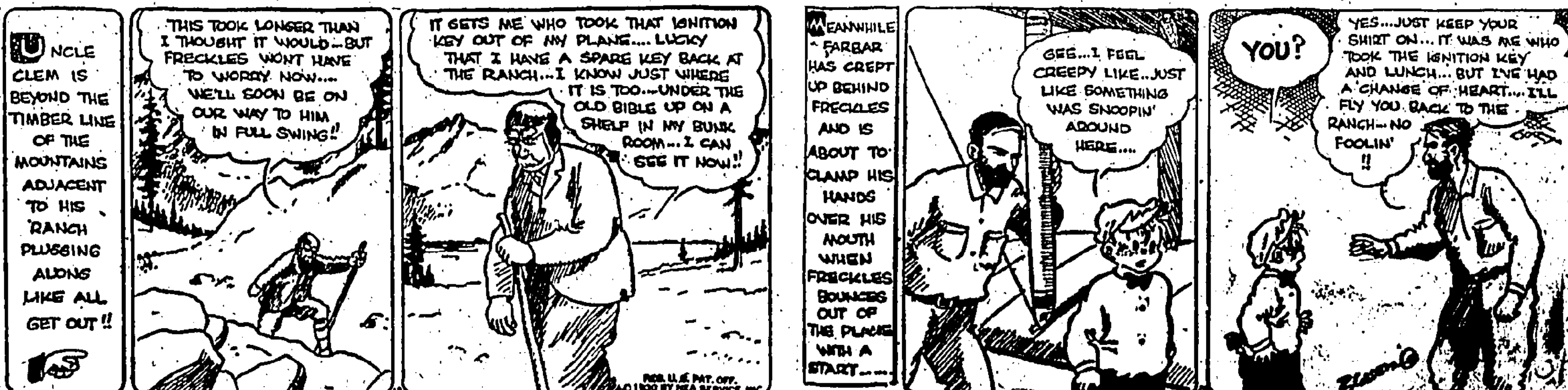
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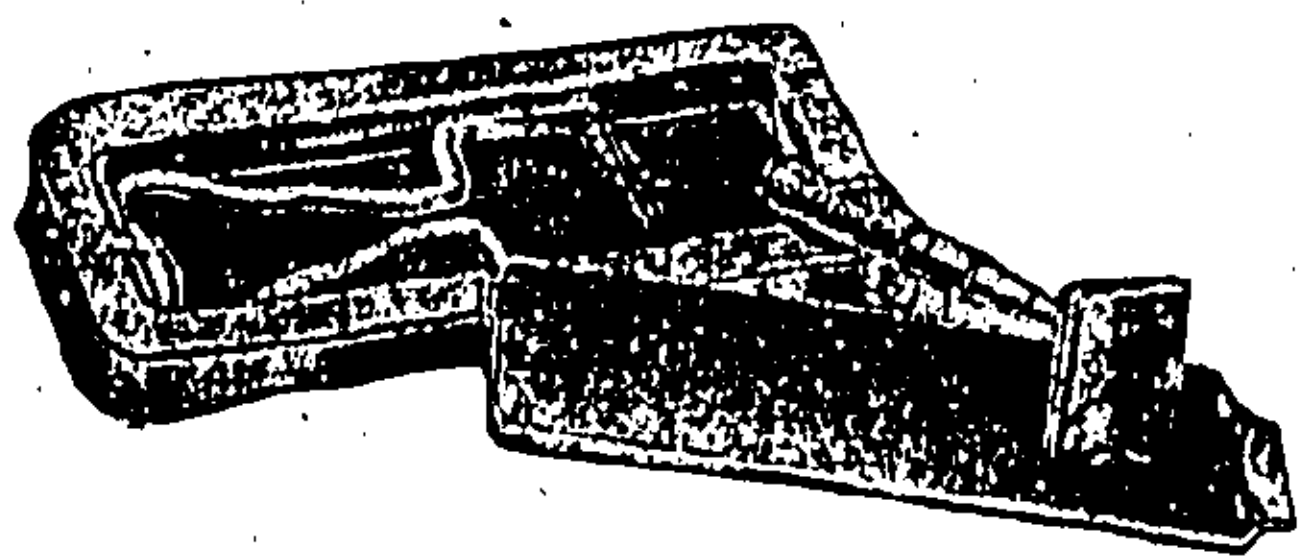
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DEATH.

GOMES.—Francisco Theomato
Gomes, aged 70, died at his
residence, No. 10, Austin
Avenue Kowloon, at 2.15 a.m.
this morning. Funeral will
pass the Monument at 5.30
p.m. to-day. Shanghai, Manila
and Macau papers please copy.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, JAN. 30, 1931.

THE EXCHANGE CRISIS.

Where is the Colony heading? Is it time to face up to the issue or are we to play blind man's bluff to the last? The Government admitted, when cutting its servants' salaries by over a million dollars yesterday, that every farthing the dollar loses in sustained value costs the Treasury, and ultimately the taxpayer, a sum in excess of three lakhs. How many thousand times that sum represents the cost to which private resources, purchasing power, actual saving or capital, of the individual or the trader are sapped, is, of course, beyond computation. Yet no encouragement is given for belief that a serious attempt to tackle the problem is contemplated. His Excellency, for reasons unexplained, remains an incurable optimist. He hopes that silver will appreciate in value and that the dollar will make some recovery. He is aware of an opposite view in authoritative quarters, but remains unshaken. Shortly, it is hoped, information will be received from experts who have been examining the Report of the Currency Commission, a report which dealt very largely with the unsatisfactory state of the currency by reason of the fluctuating premium of the bank-note over the silver dollar, a condition which no longer obtains, a report, drafted before the present unexampled exchange crisis became even a remote possibility, a report dominated by an outward dictum, that the Colony is yoked to China and must follow her footsteps. Quite candidly, we see no prospect of useful developments from a study confined to that Report. There might be in the event of a decision by the home experts to pursue their own course.

Meanwhile, numerous questions arise. It would be interesting to know what action has been taken by the Government upon the re-

commendation that all available data be placed before expert opinion with a view to formulating and having in readiness a feasible scheme worked out in detail whereby the transfer of the Colony's currency from a silver to a gold basis may be effected as smoothly and with as little trouble and expense as possible, in case a sudden change-over be forced upon the Colony. It would be interesting to know if any action has been taken upon the Hon. Dr. Kotewall's view that expert opinion should be sought as to whether the Colony can safely adopt the gold basis even if China does not take the same course. Does not the unparalleled cost of government and the danger—despite His Excellency's optimism—of further rises, urge abandonment of a meek acceptance of the "Wait for China" motif, already set at a discount by more than one local banker? In, after all, the advice sound? Is it not a fact that Japan, on a gold basis, depends to a great extent upon the China trade for her prosperity? Is our position so very much different from that of Japan?

If the dollar falls still further it must be fatally injurious to nearly every local interest. Every sixteenth it falls renders the task of stabilisation, if ever undertaken, just a little more difficult. The issue ought to be faced and that speedily. There appears to be little prospect of outside assistance. Mr. Snowden has made it clear that the British Government does not propose to take any step for the rehabilitation of silver, and therefore, were such a proposal to our real advantage, no reliance can be placed on the possibility of such aid. And what is the alternative? With or without China, a change-over may be forced upon the Colony in lieu of a complete breakdown of the financial structure. One of the great arguments against stabilisation at an arbitrary figure—and stabilisation at a shilling would be ludicrous—is that a serious loss would be involved to the holders of silver. The necessity of such a loss, except possibly to the exchange gamblers, has not been proved. If the shilling, worth twopenny, can be legal tender for a shilling, it seems to us that the silver dollar, backed by gold, can be kept in employment as legal tender for two shillings. Some dislocation of trade would follow stabilisation, even if Hongkong happened to be hastening after China, but the change would at least afford a wholesome benefit to the community, relief to the harassed shopkeeper and succour to the Treasury.

Silver and Gold.

The efforts of Mr. Darling to induce the British Government to take the lead in restoring the ratio between gold and silver are attracting worldwide attention. They do not, of course, everywhere secure endorsement, which, perhaps, is not to be wondered at, bearing in mind the number and variety of the interests concerned in the monetary problem. From Johannesburg, the centre of the South African gold industry, comes a note of objection uttered by Dr. Samuel Evans, who thinks the Darling ideas impracticable. The argument is that the people of South Africa would be sacrificed so that an experiment might be made to overcome the world crisis and more particularly to benefit the people of India and China. The gain, says Dr. Evans, would mainly accrue to the producers of silver in North and South America. These views represent a somewhat selfish outlook, based on a failure to realise the widespread effects of the present absurdly low price of silver. In any event, we cannot see that South Africa would especially suffer from a restoration in the price of silver, on a fixed ratio to gold. It is the growing disparity between the price of the two metals which is at the root of much of the world trade depression; the wiping out of this disparity would therefore be of universal advantage. Conceivably, the price of gold might be somewhat affected

DAY BY DAY

PREFER LOSS BEFORE UNJUST GAIN;
FOR THAT BRINGS GRIEF BUT ONCE,
THIS FOR EVER.—Chilton.

The Canadian Pacific has just issued a large-type wall calendar in celebration of its fifty years' existence.

A coolie received serious injuries through a fall into the hold of the s.s. Kulsang yesterday.

A foki in the employ of the Che Sang firm, 45, Jervois Street, is alleged to have absconded with \$500 collected from a customer.

Eleanor Gonsalves, a ten-year-old girl, living at 558, Nathan Road, was attacked and bitten by a dog at Granville Road, yesterday. She is receiving treatment.

Passengers who arrived here from Home by the P. and O. s.s. Malwa included Mr. and Mrs. E. Cook, Capt. F. A. Lovegrove, Hon. Mrs. Tufton, Miss S. Tufton, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hyne, and Mr. R. M. Keown.

Li Ki-kuen, who was arrested in Temple Street yesterday with five mace of opium in his stockings, was charged before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, and fined \$40, or three weeks' imprisonment.

A fine of \$50, or one month's imprisonment each, was imposed by Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on two unemployed Chinese, Pun Wai and Tai Sui-wan, who pleaded guilty, to having stowed away on the s.s. Tjilmanock, which arrived in Hongkong from Manila.

Fifteen gold wrist watches, valued together at \$500, were recovered, it is stated, by a party of C.I.D. men, under the direction of Sgt. J. Murphy, at a raid 214, Queen's Road, yesterday, in the course of investigations into a recent robbery on the first floor of 292, Queen's Road. An alleged receiver has been arrested.

by the putting into effect of Mr. Darling's plans, but that of itself would be no bad thing. It is generally conceded that gold prices are at present far too high, so that a decline in value, if caused by the fixing of the ratio between the two metals, would not be prejudicial to world interests, whatever the immediate effects might be on gold producers. Indeed, if Mr. Darling's scheme worked out in this way, it would be equivalent to killing two birds with one stone. Dr. Evans thinks that the American silver producers would benefit most from the Darling plans, apparently being willing to overlook the fact that the gold producers, for whom he pleads, are gaining greatly from the situation as it is. Furthermore, when he talks of silver stability plans being designed particularly for the benefit of the people of India and China, he quite misstates the position. With conditions as they are, the Western nations are practically cut off from the oriental markets; improve the silver outlook, and the whole world would automatically benefit. The trouble with Mr. Evans appears to be that he looks at the matter solely from the standpoint of the gold producer.

A POET IN THE PARK.

THE morning suited me some-
how. The fog was thick in
Inverleith Park, and I seemed to
dwell in a world of my own, a tiny
world of grey light that travelled
with me as I walked.

I had lain awake all night, and
the fog, though attractively dismal,
was hardly bracing. I longed for
rest, but seats were evidently rare
luxuries in this park, or it might
be that they lay all around and I
would not find one till I fell over
it. But there at last was the wel-
come shape of my heart's desire—a
comfortable lathbuilt seat with a
rounded back. I seated myself
thankfully, and snuggled down into
my thick overcoat.

And then, like an apparition born
of the mist, a tall figure stalked into
my ken. He was enveloped in a
long black overcoat and his hands
were buried deep in the pockets.
There were traces of fur about the
collar and cuffs. Beneath his black
coat he had a huge red nose jutted out.
A pair of gleaming black eyes gazed
into my own.

"Good-morning, sir," he cried,
"you will pardon my intrusion, I
hope." He stopped and hat down.

I groaned.
He began immediately. "Isn't
this splendid? There is a charm
in all this that transcends sunshine
and fair weather. This is reality.
This is fog. We ourselves are fog.
All existence is fog! Do you write
poetry, sir?"

The question took me aback. He
cocked his head towards me like a
maggie as he waited on my answer.

"Well," I temporised, "I can
hardly say—"

"No matter," he interrupted. "I
see you don't. But sir, I do—
rather, I did, for I've finished with
it forever! You see me now in a
moment of cold sanity. I am at
the turning point of my career."

He did not seem to have much
of a career left. The cough he
flung out at me was like the bark
of a dog.

"Poetry, sir," he resumed, "is the
mere phonetic froth of life. It is
the green scum of dilettantism
floating on the surface of the boiling
cauldron of reality, and as
such, should be thrown away. It
ought not to arise. What? Sym-
thesis of all art? Expression of
the emotions? My dear sir—pardon
me—you talk nonsense! I say
it again—nonsense! I have been
writing poetry for fifteen years.
I should know. I have written
volumes, many volumes, and—but,
no matter. I ask you now, is poetry
useful? Do all the seas of rhyme
poured out for centuries from de-
lirious humanity, all the so-called
master pieces of the poetic
luminaries, equal in value one loaf
of bread? Can one—allow me to
continue, sir—I say, can one garb
oneself in poetry?"

He sneered, and again shot out
that barking double cough.

"It is true," he recommenced,
"with a note of levity in his voice,
"that one might wear verses about
one's person as superstitious people
wear charms. They would at least
do no harm. One could have them
printed, say, on his shirt. With an
epigram round the breast, a string
of epigrams round the neck, a sonnet
or two on the back, and a humorous
sally on the tail thereof, many of us
would be more interesting persons.
A certain glamour might attach to one
so apparelled, but would they add
warmth or comfort?"

He rose and paced up and down
for a moment or two, stamping his
feet and rubbing his hands together.
Taking what appeared to be a frag-

ment of a bed-cover from an inner
pocket, he blew his nose sonorously,
and resented himself. He upraised
an admonitory palm and stilled the
speech I had hardly begun.

"Last night," he said, "stark
sanity engulfed me like a tidal
wave. I saw the futility of it all.

I had been wasting my time and
my life for fifteen years, and I had
never even achieved print. I was
up all night—burning it all."

"Burnt it all?"
"Every page! Every word! I
am now going to engage myself in
useful work—carrying wood, dray-
ing water, tilling the earth, brick-
laying, bridge-building, anything,
but it must be useful work. What
is the time, sir?"

I groped for my watch. "It is a
quarter to ten," I answered, won-
dering what the time could matter
to him.

"Then I must go. Life is too
short for all I have to accomplish."
He got up suddenly and threshed
his arms about.

"Good-morning, sir," he cried,
"we may meet again, but meantime
I bid you good-morning!"
He plunged off into the swallow-
ing fog; a double cough sounded
faintly as he disappeared, and I
was alone again.

What a man! But he had talked
sense. His rhetoric, crude as it
was, had the strength of conviction
behind it.

Nevertheless, a heavy gloom
seemed to have fallen on me. Gazing
thoughtfully in the direction
he had taken, I spied a small parcel
of some sort lying on the path by
the end of the seat where he had
sat. I rose and picked it up. It
was a substantial roll of manuscript
tied round with blue worsted. I
slipped off the worsted without
breaking it.

Yes, of course—verses! I glanced
over the first page or two.

It was horrible stuff—but it was
far, far better than anything I had
ever written.

The quick padding of feet reached
me, and I hastily slipped the worsted
round the bundle.

Like a tornado he burst in on
me. He was out of breath from
running. He had shed his hat,
and with his bald head exposed, he
seemed to have suddenly aged
twenty years.

"Man'script," he gasped, "bunnie
man'script!"

He clutched it to his breast, and
sat down, limp, on the seat. I
waited, while the heaving of his
chest lessened.

"I thank you, sir," he said at
length, "I thank you."

"So you didn't burn it all," I re-
proached him.

He barked twice at me, vigorous-
ly. He was himself again.

"All? No, sir! Did I say all?
I burned all that was worthless.
I burned the dross, the matrix of
these priceless gems you have just
restored to me. This is the essence
of my work—the limpid, clarified
quintessence with which I will yet
win to fame. I could not burn this.
No one could. It is indestructible,
imperishable!"

He placed the priceless gems care-
fully in the pocket where he kept
the bed-cover handkerchief, and
rose to depart.

"You have lost your hat," I point-
ed out.

"It is no matter. I may find it
on my way back. Once more I
thank you, sir. My name—I've
lost my card-case—is Cyril Bridg-
lington Bryce. A name to conjure
with! You will remember it?"

I shook the clammy hand extend-
ed to me, and waving his arm in
farewell, he was off again. A
muffled, "good-morning" floated
back through the mist, and he was
gone—forever, I hope.

I sighed in relief, sank down into
my warm overcoat, and continued
my tussle with the refractory
rhyme that had kept me awake all
night.

J. B.

AVALANCHES IN SCOTLAND.

FEW people, apart from those
enthusiasts who indulge in the
exhilarating sport of moun-
taineering on our Scottish peaks in
winter and early spring, are
aware that avalanches are of fre-
quent occurrence in the glens and
corries.

True, they do not attain to the
devastating dimensions of the
avalanches which occur in the Alps
of Switzerland, or in the great
mountain ranges of Asia and Am-
erica; but they are of quite suf-
ficient size and frequency to consti-
tute a danger to be reckoned with,
and one of the first things a Scottish
mountaineer has to learn in con-
nexion with winter climbing is how
to recognise, and avoid if possible,
those places where a slide of snow
is likely to take place.

It is particularly in the spring of
the year, however, when the vast
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— and don't let him chew anything for a couple of days."

WHIST AND BRIDGE DRIVE.

FOR M.C.L. FUNDS AT KOWLOON.

A successful and enjoyable whist and bridge drive was held in the Central British School last night, in aid of the Hongkong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League.

There was an excellent attendance, with the following as prize-winners:

Ladies' Bridge.—1, Mrs. Elkins; 2, Mrs. J. Reyle; lowest score, Mrs. E. Meade.

Ladies' Whist.—1, Mrs. Pethrick; 2, Mrs. Colman; lowest score, Mrs. L. Mead.

Gents' Bridge.—1, Capt. Groundwater; 2, Capt. R. D. Thomas; lowest score, Mr. A. E. Atkins.

Gents' Whist.—1, Mr. Morrison; 2, Mr. Annis; lowest score, Mr. Durston.

A box of chocolates, represented by Messrs. Gilman and Co., was raffled and realised \$7, whilst further generous prize-winners were Mr. and Mrs. Wylie and the Dairy Farm Co. Thanks are due to Mr. Nightingale for the loan of the school hall, the Rev. W. Walter Rogers for the loan of chairs, Mrs. Lloyd Jones, Mrs. Telfer, Mrs. Woolley, Mrs. Goss and Mrs. J. Reyle for so generously giving towards the refreshments, and Miss R. Cole, Mrs. L. Cole, and A. Cole for their assistance.

KOCHOW GETS OFF THE BAR.

REFLOATED AFTER MANY VAIN ATTEMPTS.

Information has been received to the effect that the river steamer Kochow, which for several days was aground five miles below Samshui, near Campbell Island, has been refloated and is now anchored in the West River.

The Kochow grounded last Sunday whilst returning from Wuchow to Hongkong. Every effort was made to refloat the vessel, but partly owing to the state of the tide, which is at present very low, the task was difficult.

Another attempt was made yesterday at high tide, and she was refloated. On examination, it was found that she had sustained no damage and will shortly proceed to Hongkong.

The s.s. Charles Hardouin, of the Hongkong-Canton run, went aground in the early hours of Monday morning near First Bar Island light. Her passengers were taken off by the s.s. Kinshan and taken to Canton. As far as could be ascertained this morning, she is still aground.

TRADE DISPUTES DEBATE.

DECLARATION ON 1926 STRIKE.

London, Jan. 29. The Liberals intend to attempt to secure amendments to the Trade Disputes Bill during the committee stage.

The most interesting feature of the later part of the debate yesterday was a statement by the Solicitor General, Sir Stafford Cripps, that in his view the general strike of 1926 would have been illegal if the Act of 1927 and the Bill under discussion had then been law. This was made in response to a request by Sir John Simon, and other speakers opposing the measure, for a Government declaration on the point.—*British Wireless.*

BIG INTESTACY.

"LETTERS" GRANTED IN LOCAL ESTATE.

Wong Tai-yan, who died intestate at No. 47, Tsz Hang Street, Canton, on February 19, 1929, left Hongkong estate which has been valued at \$48,600. Letters of administration have been granted to Wong Wing-dick, who is temporarily living at No. 220, Queen's Road Central.

Local estate to the value of \$1,500 was left by Lucas Leonardo (or Leonard) da Silva, late of No. 7, Morrison Gap Road, Hongkong, who died intestate at that address on July 7, 1930, being survived by his widow, three daughters and five sons. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Constança Maria da Silva.

An old man was knocked down by a tramcar near the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank this morning and rather badly hurt. A passer-by telephoned for the ambulance, which was on the scene in three minutes and removed the sufferer to hospital.

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

8.56 C. H. M. Andrew & A. J. R. Wolf.
9.00 J. S. MacLaren & J. Smith.
9.08 C. B. Riggs & G. B. S. Thomson.
9.16 Not to be booked.
9.20 K. S. Robertson & T. Grant.
9.24 E. Nash & J. E. Richardson.
9.28 L. G. S. Dodwell & J. H. Raikes.
9.32 C. E. Holmes & S. J. H. Fox.
9.36 A. C. I. Bowker & M. G. Mills.
9.40 R. K. Valentine & W. J. Clerk.
9.44 A. D. Humphreys & G. B. Dunnett.

9.48 J. P. Warren & D. F. C. Cleland.
9.52 J. W. Alabaster & D. Lyon.
9.56 R. A. Stuart & W. C. Clark.
10.00 R. E. Atwell & E. P. White.
10.04 G. A. Lelper & J. H. Ashworth.
10.08 T. S. Marshall & G. Walsh.
10.12 W. Kerr & W. S. Hillier.
10.16 J. M. Henderson & J. M. Walker.

10.20 C. B. Brown & R. W. Taplin.
10.24 C. P. Ross & J. B. Lanyon.
10.28 I. Allison & W. Mulcahy.
10.32 A. H. Penn & J. R. Collis.
10.36 E. H. Williams & S. C. Feltham.
10.40 J. M. Mason & J. D. H. Crawford.

10.44 W. D. Harris & H. P. Bailey.
10.48 Dr. Nicholson & T. S. Morrison.
10.52 V. J. Atkins & P. H. Suckling.
10.56 T. S. Whyte-Smith & D. J. Gilmore.

11.00 D. Robb & B. D. Evans.
11.04 W. W. Mackenzie & A. C. Ellis.
11.08 L. J. Blackburn & A. G. Copplin.
11.12 C. W. Jeffreys & J. Colthart.
11.16 R. A. Campbell & H. Hampton.
11.20 E. P. Fletcher & G. T. May.
11.24 H. U. Ireland & A. B. Purves.
11.28 E. Stone & J. P. Sherry.

11.32 O. E. C. Marton & L. R. Andrews.
11.36 A. Ritchie & C. H. Burton.
11.40 D. J. Keogh & J. Jones.
11.44 A. C. Meredith & G. S. Hankinson.

11.48 A. Leach & N. K. Littlejohn.
11.52 A. O. Brown & H. Shrubsole.
11.56 H. Lowe & L. Yates.
12.00 O. Eger & W. R. Vallance.
12.04 C. M. Gee & L. H. Ruffin.
12.08 H. R. Forsyth & E. M. Bryden.
12.12 J. K. Macfarlan & R. E. Lindwell.

12.16 H. C. Gould & A. H. Masson.
12.20 J. G. Campbell & J. Forbes.
12.24 R. Stook & J. Highet.
12.28 H. Spicer & R. M. Chalmers.
12.32 W. J. Riddiford & F. Sykes.
12.36 J. Dovey & J. S. Dykes.
12.40 T. Low & D. S. Edwards.

12.44 G. G. Johnson & R. L. S. Webb.
12.48 W. C. Shields & R. K. Hepburn.
12.52 D. M. Goodhall & W. N. Smalley.
12.56 D. Forbes & R. Young.
1 p.m. N. Croucher & E. des Vocux.

SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

TARANTULA DEFEAT THE CICALA.

Shameen, Jan. 29. In a League match played here yesterday H.M.S. Tarantula defeated H.M.S. Cicala by 4 goals to 2 goals. From the start the Tula were pressing and kept the Cicala defence close to the home goal. After some ten minutes' play, Allen put the Tula in the lead with a shot that gave Stacey no chance. Cicala, going all out to get on equal terms, carried the game into the Tula half and Leeds in trying to find touch conceded a corner. In the melee in front of goal following the corner kick, Tula's right half handled inside the penalty area. Domoney, making no mistake with the spot kick, brought the score level. The game continued fairly even for some time, then Tula broke away and Cannon with a low fast drive put them in the lead again. Half-time score: Tarantula, 2 goals; Cicala, 1 goal.

In the second half, the Tula's side was very much the stronger, the forwards combining well and putting in some very useful head work. Within three minutes of the change-over they had increased their lead with a third goal from Mannering. Shortly afterwards, Cicala got a lucky goal, when, with Leeds mis-kicking, Bagshaw ran out to a swerving ball which turned off his foot and rolled into the open goal. For the remainder of the game, Tula were on top, a few minutes from the end Cannon scoring the fourth goal. Cicala fell away badly and Tula deserved their victory.

The following teams were lined up under Mr. P. Younghusband: Tarantula: Bagshaw; Perkins; Leeds; Evans; Webb; Talbot; Lieut. Cobb; Cannon; Mannering; Allen; Tubb.

Cicala: Stacey; Pinder; Hickey; Rees; Domoney; Rudling; Lieut. Comm. Havers; Spurling; Roder; Williams; McKissack.

The following shows the present standing of the League:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Tarantula	9	5	2	2	10	12	12
Moh	8	4	2	2	15	10	10
Mochoen	7	4	1	2	12	9	9
Sennow	6	2	3	1	12	7	7
Cicla	7	2	0	5	13	4	4
Shameen S.C.	0	1	2	6	13	23	4

—Our Own Correspondent.

CAIRO TO CAPE FLIGHT.

London, Jan. 29.

The Air Minister announces that the Royal Air Force's African Service flight to the Cape, landed at Broken Hill, in Rhodesia, yesterday afternoon.—*British Wireless.*

LONDON POLITICAL SENSATION.

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and sold it for \$8,000. He early made a reputation as a speaker. He was a Cabinet Minister at thirty-two. For over twenty years he has taken a leading part in national affairs, and has been one of the storm centres in British politics. What are the qualities which have made it possible for him to do these great things?

Undoubted Courage.

First, his undoubted courage. Second, his mental and physical energy. He is supposed to be delicate. His pallid face, due to a white skin, and his stooping shoulders are misleading. In fact, he is strong and muscular, with a vigorous and resilient nervous system, which enables him to stand great strain and bear heavy mental burdens.

Third, his industry. He is a prodigious, painstaking, and tireless worker, with an active brain for planning, scheming, and contriving. Before he rises in the morning, he covers page after page with his neat handwriting, and this is only the prelude of his day's work. But he is energetically physically as well as mentally. Such strenuous recreations as polo appeal to him, and he was for some time, an enthusiastic aviator. He is an omnivorous reader, with the art of picking out books that matter and the things that matter in books.

Imagination and Confidence

Fourth, his imagination. His teeming brain is full of original

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

TO-MORROW'S SELECTION OF PICTURES.

There will be many pictures of topical interest in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Art Supplement.

Weddings illustrated will include those of Mr. S. Berg and Miss Tui O'Kane, Mr. W. R. Hillier and Miss A. M. Slicer, Mr. Ng Hin-yuen and Miss Nora Chan, Mr. Chu Jor and Miss Wong Shou-ching, and Mr. So Kim-sung and Miss Lam Siu-ying.

There will be some interesting snapshots of the golf match at Fanling between local players and the American pros, one showing H. E. the Governor with the noted visitors. A group of players who took part in the golf match at Canton between sides representing England and America will also appear.

Other pictures will include some of the sinking of the s.s. Tricolor, snapshots taken at the Fanling Hunt Race Meeting, and a photo taken at the Hongkong University Christian Association's annual social function.

Ideas about all sorts of subjects. Nothing is too great or too small to engage his attention.

Fifth, his logical powers. His mind is essentially logical; and he is always ready with convincing arguments to support his proposals or to defeat his opponents.

Sixth, his rhetorical powers. He is a master of rhetoric, or the art of arranging arguments so as to suit the purpose in hand. He has a passion for sonorous phrases, and can make words glitter on the page like diamonds. In short, he has the rare gift of style. He will take any pains to find the right word, and when he hears a new one that takes his fancy will carefully store it away for future use.

Eighth, his remarkable factual and verbal memory, enabling him to remember dry facts or to reel off anecdotes of poetry, prose, or popular songs.

Ninth, his sense of humour. Tenth, his confidence in himself and his opinions. Politicians regard themselves as social doctors. A doctor who has no confidence in his remedies is rarely a success, and so it is, we suppose, with politicians.

The Hon. Mr. Tye Chuan Gen, alias Kwei To, member of the Executive Committee of the National Government of China, President of the Examination Yuan and Ex-Chancellor of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's University of Canton, will give a public lecture on "The Value of Chinese Literature and its Position in the Cultural World" to the Chinese Society of the University of Hongkong in the Great Hall to-day at 5.15 p.m.

Dr. J. Howard-Montgomery will read his paper on Radium before the Hongkong University Medical Society on Wednesday, February 4, instead of February 2, at the Union Assembly Room at 5.30 p.m.

GLEE SINGERS.

AGAIN DELIGHT LARGE AUDIENCE.

Another crowded audience listened enraptured to the Westminster Glee Singers at the Theatre Royal last night, the programme being interspersed with a number of Scottish items. From the sparkling number, "The Hunt is Up" (John L. Hutton) by the gentlemen of the Company, to Edward Branscombe's appealing arrangement of "Robin-a-Thrush," the concluding number, enjoyment flagged not a moment, the solos and concerted numbers alike being most impressively executed.

A cycle of Scottish Songs, "Kelvin Grove," "Will Ye No Come Back Again?" and "Charlie Is My Darling" were warmly received, the second piece being beautifully treated. Another outstanding work was the Mendelssohn anthem, "Oh for the Wings of a Dove." James Barber, who possesses one of the finest bass voices ever heard here, was greatly appreciated for his rendition of "At the Mid Hour of Night" (Sir Frederick Cowen) and the audience recalled him several times. One of his encores, "A Hundred Pipers," was especially good.

Albert Green was again in good form, and delighted with the manner in which he led a group of sea shanties. Later in the programme, his quaint mannerisms, combined with an excellent voice, evoked the enthusiasm of the audience.

It is to be regretted that there are only two more concerts, and a matinee to-morrow afternoon at 3 p.m., but the exceptionally heavy booking for the final appearances must assure the Company that Hongkong greatly appreciates the opportunity of listening to such refreshing and beautiful entertainment.

AVALANCHES IN SCOTLAND.

(Continued from Page 5.)

quantities of snow which have accumulated during the winter months are beginning to be affected by the milder weather, that it becomes the mountaineers to warily in the corries; for at such times the enormous overhanging cornices of snow and ice which fringe the cliffs are apt to break away, and come sweeping down, probably accompanied by a quantity of rock, to bear everything before them thundering down into the corrie.

On more than one occasion the writer has experienced what might be termed a baby avalanche, and these were quite enjoyable, but a party of four friends once had a rather more alarming adventure on one of the peaks of the Black Mount.

They came to a place where a large fissure showed in the snow, and one of the party, incautiously began to walk along the lower edge of it. His weight was just enough to cause the enormous lightly-poised mass to break away, and in a moment the whole party were engulfed, and careering rapidly down the mountain side smothered in snow.

When they came to a standstill, one of them fortunately had his head uppermost. He found two of his companions by their feet sticking out of the snow. The fourth man was invisible, but as they were all roped together they quickly located him, and nobody was any the worse of the adventure, in spite of the fact that they had descended several hundred feet in a few seconds.

One of the party, however, had lost his watch, and this led to a curious sequel the following summer. When ascending the mountain, as near as he could judge to the place where he and his companions had been swept down in the snow, this man suddenly came on his long-lost watch.

JASCON.

21 YEARS AGO.

COME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended January 28th, 1910.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 9 7/16.

The British and American Ministers in Peking were approached by the Chinese Foreign Ministry with the object of effecting an amicable settlement of the Macao boundary question.

The annual report of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., showed gross profits totalling \$118,887. A dividend of 80 cents was recommended.

A largely-attended Burns Night concert was held at the Theatre Royal.

At an election of three J. P.'s no members of the Licensing Board, the following were returned:—Messrs. D. W. Craddock, T. F. Hough, and A. Shelton Hooper.

HONGKONG IRISH SOCIETY.

MEMBERS JOINING UP IN LARGE NUMBERS.

The Committee of the newly-formed St. Patrick's Society of Hongkong find that the formation of the Society and getting it in to running order, as well as the arrangements for their first ball on 17th, March give them plenty to think about and to do, but they are putting in some very useful team work as well as acting individually in the various capacities to which they have been deputed. They are greatly encouraged by the hearty enthusiasm of the many Irishmen and Irishwomen in the Colony who are joining up in large numbers. Up to date, they have the names of over 200 members and prospective members, and they look forward to an appreciable increase of this number.

One of their members who desired to remain anonymous has since consented to his generosity being made known. This gentleman is well-known in the Colony, Mr. Andrew Harper. He was born in County Tyrone on June 11th, 1865, and has joined as a Life Member and has made a handsome gift of \$500 to the general funds of the Society.

The Committee has wisely decided that all entrance fees, subscriptions fees, and donations should be devoted entirely to charitable purposes and general expenses of administration, and that balls and similar social functions should pay for themselves.

During the past week the Committee has met twice under the Chairmanship of Mr. F. P. R. James, Chairman of Committee, and among other things has approved the Rules as agreed to in principle at the inaugural general meeting. Copies will shortly be distributed to all members.

A cable is being sent to Sir Joseph Kemp, who is at present at Home, intimating his election as President of the Society.

Ball Arrangements.

Various Sub-Committees have been formed in connexion with the ball, and as the result of their deliberations it has been decided to hold the event at the Peninsula Hotel. Supper, wines and other liquid refreshments will be provided at an inclusive cost of \$10 per head. The ball will commence at 9.30 p.m. and will conclude at 2 a.m. next morning. Letters have been sent to all members and prospective members asking for particulars of the number of tickets required, etc. It is hoped to have all such necessary information by 10th February.

The Committee is desirous of including a number of Irish dances in the ball programme and to afford opportunities for prior practice. They can arrange for the necessary room and instruction and invite all those who intend to participate to submit their names as early as possible to the Hon. Secretary, P.O. Box 417, Hongkong. Further particulars will then be communicated. Certain other details are still under consideration and additional information will be published as early as possible.—*Contributed.*

NOTED ARCHITECT.

SIR JOHN SIMPSON IN THE COLONY.

Through passengers to Japan on the P. and O. liner Malwa from Home include Sir John Simpson, K.B.E., the noted British architect, who was President of the Royal Institute of British Architects from 1919 to 1921.

Sir John Simpson, who is Vice-President of the Royal West of England Academy and of the British Society of Master Class Painters, is architect of the Hon. Society of Lincoln's Inn and has been responsible for numerous monuments, including the Rosedean School, Brighton, the Queen Victoria Memorial, Bradford, and the Royal Sussex Regiment monument, Oronso Ford, whilst he has also been concerned with the offices of the Crown Agents for the Colonies and the Glasgow Art Galleries. He is an authority also on town-planning, and is the author of numerous professional publications.

Due to arrive here on the morning of February 14th, is the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company's Empress of Australia with a party of round-the-world tourists. The liner will remain in port four days, during which time there will be the usual shores excursions.

Mr. A. E. Stead, who has recently arrived from Shanghai, where he was the Studio Manager of Messrs. Millington Limited, has been appointed Art Director of Millington Limited, Hongkong Branch.

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THE LAI WAH CUP FINAL.

CIVILIANS EXPECTED TO
WIN AGAIN.

POWERFUL ATTACKS.

[By "Wanderer."]

Senior league footballers may
adopt the role of grandstand
critics to-morrow when the Lai
Wah Cup Final is the only impor-
tant fixture on the local soccer
programme, which is as follows:

Lai Wah Cup Final.

Civilians v. Chinese.—Club ground,
3.30 p.m.

Second League.

Navy v. Club.—Navy, H.H.V., 2.30.

Eastern v. St. Joseph's.—Chinese,
2.30.

S.W. Borderers v. R.A.—Sookun-
po, 2.30.

Athletic v. Kowloon.—Kowloon,
2.30.

Argylls v. South China.—Chatham
Road, 4 p.m.

Recreio v. University.—Recreio,
2.30.

Third Division.

R.E. v. R.A.S.C.—Chatham Road,
2.30.

R.A.F. v. R.A.O.C.—Recreio, 4 p.m.

Chinese v. S.W.D.—Chinese, 4 p.m.

South China v. Ewa.—Caroline
Hill, 2.30.

There can be little doubt that
the Lai Wah Cup Final will pro-
vide one of the finest games of the
season. The Civilians, four
times winners in the six seasons
the trophy has been in competi-
tion, and holders, are as strongly
represented as ever before, while
the Chinese, who are likely to field
a majority of South China
players, are keen to capture the
trophy for the first time.

One imagines that high scoring
will be the order of the day.
Both teams are very strong for-
ward, the Civilians would appear
to be a trifle stronger in this de-
partment, while the Chinese are
expected to be steadier in defence.
A. Gosano's presence should make
the Civilians favourites.

The game starts at 3.30 p.m.,
half an hour earlier than the usual
time of kick-off, which should be
noted.

The Civilians will probably line
up as follows:

Clark (Police); Strange (Club);
Bishop (Club); Hedley (Kow-
loon); Orma (Police); Duncan
(Club); B. Gosano (Recreio);
Segalen (Club); A. Gosano
(Recreio); Rocha (Recreio);
Pile (Kowloon).

LOCAL HOCKEY.

The following have been select-
ed to play for the Club de Recreio
and the St. Andrew's Club in their
first match in the Caer Clark Cup
League:

Club de Recreio:—C. Botelho, C.
Silva, L. Silva-Netto, A. Alves, M.
Remedios, N. Xavier, M. Alves, E.
Rosario, M. Basto, C. Osmund, B.
Remedios.

St. Andrew's Club:—R. Rose, P.
Woolley, I. Rogers, I. Woolley, M.
White, I. Gittins, E. Landolt, M.
Woolley, N. Field, P. Gittins, A.
N. O'Her.

The match will take place to-
morrow on the K.B.S.F.P.A.
ground, King's Park at 4.15 p.m.

CRICKET.

The following teams have been
selected for the match to be played
on the Club ground to-morrow:

Married:—T. E. Pearce, G. E. Sayer,
E. B. Reed, N. A. Thorp, E. J. R.
Mitchell, E. R. Duckitt, R. J. Wilk,
H. J. Armstrong, J. Haley, E. C.
Elphinstone, J. H. Way, S. J. Stanesby.
Single:—A. Reid, R. M. Airey, K.
H. Batger, O. E. C. Marton, R. H.
Grimth, W. Rigg, H. F. Green, R. K.
Hepburn, J. D. A. Hutchison, C. A.
Wright, C. E. Gahagan, J. Mac-
Farlane.

Members of the Hongkong Stock
Exchange will celebrate the 40th
anniversary of the foundation of the
Exchange, at a reception at their
rooms, Exchange Building, at noon
on Tuesday.

The Second Division does not
offer a game of outstanding in-
terest, but there is certain to be
a good game at the Recreio ground
when the R.A.F. and the R.A.O.C.
meet in a Third Division match.

The following will represent the
Club 2nd XI against the Navy at
Happy Valley at 2.30 p.m.
to-morrow:—Fogwill; Stoker and
Potouloff; Sloan, Punccheon and
Hynes; Alexander, Bell, Stranks,
Jackson and Smith. Reserve:—
Hooper.

The following have been select-
ed to represent the Kowloon F.C.
2nd eleven against the Chinese:—
Angus, Guest and Everest; H.
Brown, Gilchrist and Smith;
White, A. B. Clemo, Spary,
Whiting and Bickford.

Reserves:—Cotton, Kerr, Hast
and Eastman.

LAST INTERPORT SOCCER TRIAL.

TUESDAY'S MATCH AGAINST
THE NAVY.

PROBABLE ELEVEN.

[By "Wanderer."]

The last Interport Trial, before
the selection of Hongkong's team
to meet Shanghai, is to be played
on Tuesday next on the Club
ground, when the opposition will
be provided by a strong Royal
Navy team.

The following have been select-
ed to represent the Probables:

Clark (Police);
Li Tin-sang (South China);
Bishop (Club), captain;
Hedley (Kowloon);
Eynon (Borderers);
Yeoman (Argylls);
B. Gosano (Recreio);
Segalen (Club);
A. Gosano (Recreio);
Fung King-cheung (S. China);
Ip Pak-wa (South China);
Reserves:—Suen Kam-shun, Lam
Yuk-ying, Strange, A. Duncan,
Blackburn.

With one exception this is the
side I outlined on Wednesday as
my choice for the Interport team.
If the players perform to expecta-
tions, it is considered unlikely that
any change will be made when the
final choice is undertaken at con-
clusion of the match, which kick-
off at 4.30 p.m. sharp.

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LOCAL CRICKET.

The following will represent the
K.C.C. in their League matches to-
morrow:

First Division v. Royal Navy, on
K.C.C. ground:—J. C. Lyal, E. C.

Fincher, E. F. Fincher, F. Good-

win, F. Zimmermann, W. C. Hung, F.

E. Lawrence, G. C. Burnett, N. A.

Caveney.

E. Mackay, R. A. Carroll and
R. G. V. Mead.

Second Division v. Club de Re-

creio, on Recreio ground:—R. E.

Lindsell, G. Lee, F. E. Skinner, H.

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Orchestral-Old Time Songs.

Jack Hylton and His Orchestra. 1681.

Dialogue-Blossom's Film Scenario.

John Henry and Blossom. 2384.

Song-Our Old Joe (Traditional).

Paul Robeson. 3604.

Orchestral-Hello! 1930.

Marck Weber and His Orchestra. 3431.

Song-A Fire Down Below.

Hullabaloo (Harris).

John Goss Baritone (Tenor). 2120.

Organ Solo-A Musical Trip Round The British Isles.

Reginald Poort. 2077.

8.00-8.35 p.m. From The Studio.

Piano Solo-Elude (Chopin).

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Tri-My Heart At Thy Sweet Voice.

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Piano Solo-Prelude in C Sharp Minor.

(S. Rachmaninoff).

Miss May Ung.

Violin Solo-Brindisi Waltz.

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Tri-One Fleeting Hour.

(Dorothy Lee).

8.25-9.00 p.m. Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite.

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9.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local Time etc.

9.05-9.35 p.m. Concert Items.

Organ Solo-Melody In F (Rubenstein).

Edward O'Hanley. 3601.

Song-I Passed By Your Window (Wahne).

Walter Glynn (Tenor). 2429.

Tri-A Perfect Day (Carrie Jacobs-Bond).

Victor Salton Trio. 19874.

Song-A Fairies H. Come To The Fair (Fashione Martin).

Song-Joe The Fiddler.

The Ballad Menor.

Decca Homing (Baritone). 1482.

Piano Solo-Where Art Thou? (Ascher).

Hone Sweet Home (Thalberg).

Song-Eileen Aonach (Thomas).

Come Back To Erin (Chubb).

Walter Glynn (Tenor). 3645.

9.35-9.50 p.m. Organ Concerts In B Flat (Handel).

Dr. E. Bullock playing on the organ of Westminster Abbey. 2890.

9.50-10.00 p.m. Gelsa Selections (Sidney Jones).

Marck Weber and His Orch. 1918.

10.10-10.15 p.m.

Good Old Dances.

Jack Hylton, His Orchestra and Guests. 1784.

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UNION CHURCH.

ANNUAL REPORT ON YEARS' ACTIVITIES ISSUED.

Steady progress is announced in the annual report of the Hongkong Union Church just issued by the committee of Management.

Early in the year, it says, the Minister, Rev. F. C. Young, was taken ill with pneumonia and passed away on February 21. This was an inestimable loss to the Church, as, during his period of 15 months in Hongkong, Mr. Young had not only endeared himself to all members of the congregation—and to all outside who knew him—but through his able and devoted ministry had advanced and strengthened the whole work of the Church.

After the death of Mr. Young the assistance of the Congregational Union of England and Wales was sought in the matter of securing a new Minister. Furthermore, an effort was made to get pulpit supply locally during the period of vacancy. In this undertaking the Committee was particularly fortunate. From February to May, inclusive, and again, from the middle of September to the end of October, the Rev. F. Short, of the London Mission, Hongkong, occupied the pulpit on alternate Sundays. From June 1 to the middle of September the Rev. J. Foster, of the Union Theological College, Canton, lived in the Manse and rendered very acceptable service in the pulpit. The congregation is deeply indebted to Mr. Short and Mr. Foster for giving so much time to the Church. Our thanks are also due to Rev. J. C. Knight Anstey, Rev. J. H. Johnston, Rev. A. D. Stewart, Rev. G. H. McNeur, Rev. E. Dewstoe and Rev. W. W. Clayton for their services.

New Minister.

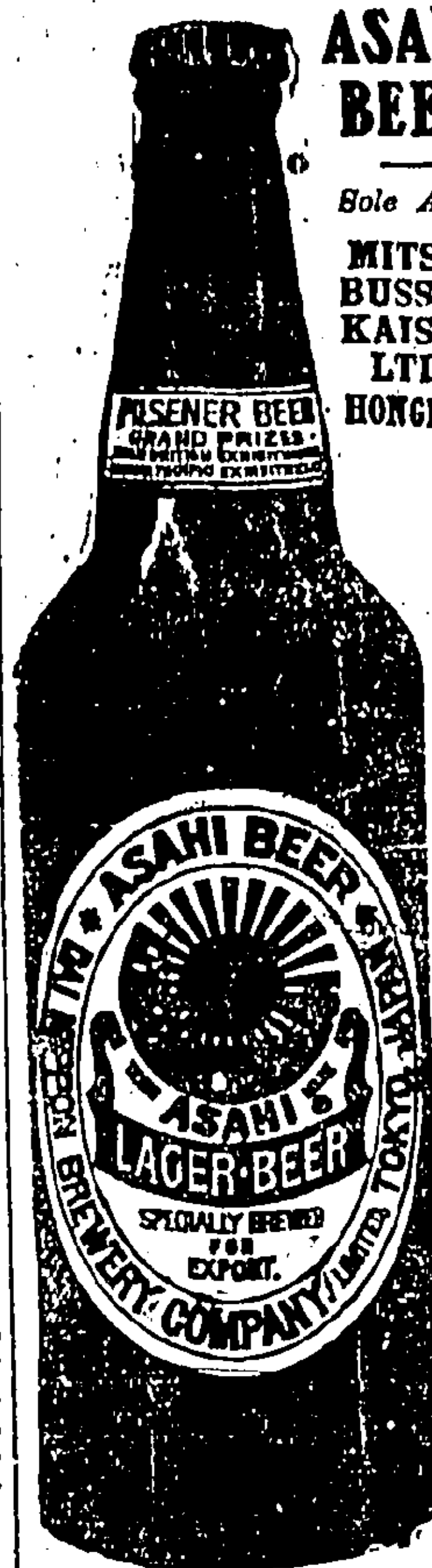
Later in the year, on the hearty recommendation of Rev. S. M. Berry, D. D., Secretary of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, the Church appointed the Rev. E. G. Powell, of Bath, England, who, with Mrs. Powell, arrived in Hongkong on October 31st. Mr. Powell's ministry has met with signal appreciation from the beginning and we confidently believe that, under his leadership, the coming years will be full of the coming progress in all departments. The Sunday schools at Kennedy Road and at Quarry Bay were held regularly throughout the year, except during the summer months. The numbers on the rolls at the end of the year were, Kennedy Road, 46 scholars and 6 teachers; Quarry Bay, 34 scholars and 6 teachers. At times there was a shortage of teachers at Kennedy Road, a matter which requires the attention of the Church. Both schools attended the Morning Service on November 23rd, and again on Christmas Sunday, when they brought presents to be sent to children in the hospitals.

Sailors and Soldiers.

During the winter months, when the fleet was in port, a naval parade was held on Sunday at 10.15 a.m. At the beginning of the year detachments from the King's Own Scottish Borderers paraded at the regular Morning Service and were much missed when they left for India at the beginning of March. Their place was taken in November by the South Wales Borderers, who paraded about sixty strong every Sunday. The Borderers and other men from the Services attended the Evening Service in considerable numbers and remain to a Social Hour in the Church Hall. Thanks are due to the ladies and others, who give their assistance in the Social Hour.

After giving considerable thought to the matter the ladies of the Church have organised a Women's Guild, which all ladies in the congregation are invited to join. This Guild has formed a Sewing Circle and has done other useful work. It is hoped that it may enlist the interest of all ladies who attend the Church in some form of service. The Committee believes this is a forward step in the life of the Church and hopes that its efforts will meet with success.

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auspices of this Society, which at present is under the joint management of the Union Churches and the Hop Yat Chinese Church. Negotiations took place for the transferring of a larger share of the support and management to the Chinese Churches, but no definite agreement had been reached at the end of the year. The Society publishes an annual report of the evangelistic and educational work in the villages of the New Territories, which may be obtained by all who are interested.

Kowloon Union Church.

The Committee of Management, going outside the limits of this Report, desires to congratulate the Kowloon Union Church on its recent development. The Manse building is already finished and the Church will soon be completed. The official opening of the Church is expected to take place early in the Spring.

The work of the Ladies' Committee has been much more varied and more strenuous than in former years. As usual there were two Jubilee Sales in May and in October. As a result of the former the New Territories' Evangelisation Society benefited to the extent of \$264.00, while from the proceeds of the latter sale the sum of \$510.00 was divided equally between Quarries Orphan Homes and Pearsons Fresh Air Fund.

Besides these and other activities there was a great deal of work to be done in connexion with the manse, brought on by the changes in tenancy during the year. As a result of the labours of the Ladies' Committee an addition was made to the furniture of the Church Hall, by providing a number of tables and chairs.

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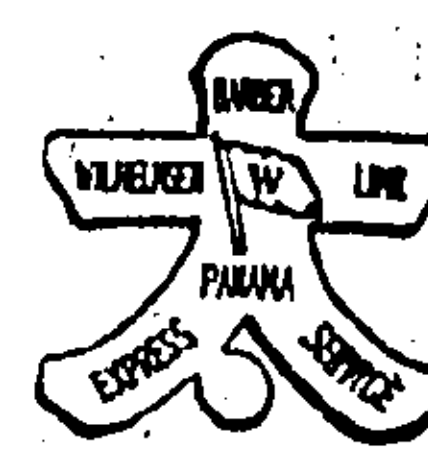
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3, Queen's Building.

Another person he would like to mention, proceeded the chairman, was the Church "boy" who, this year, completed twenty-five years' loyal service, and he (the speaker) was sure the congregation would like him to pay that tribute to the "boy" for the efficient way in which his work had been done. (Applause). The speaker expressed sympathy in the loss the "boy" had sustained in the death of his

The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:
Church Council.—Mr. J. V. Baldwin, Mr. B. Baldwin, Mr.

A black and white photograph of a large ship, likely a tugboat or barge, navigating through a narrow waterway. The ship is dark and has a prominent superstructure with a bridge and masts. The water is calm, and the background shows a steep, rocky bank.

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TIENTSIN SEIZURE.

Geneva, Jan. 29.
Sir Malcolm Delevigne, the British delegate to the Opium Committee, today rebutted the insinuation of the National Anti-Opium Association of China regarding a house in the British Concession at Tientsin, which contained the necessary plant for the extraction of heroin from floor polish sent from France.

The British delegate emphasized that the discovery of the plant was made by the British Municipal Police, while the Chinese Maritime Customs was responsible for admitting the materials.

Mr. Woo Kai-seng (China) said he fully appreciated that prompt and effective action was taken by the British authorities. He added, however, that the existence of foreign concessions in China led to delays and difficulties in coping with the illicit traffic in drugs.

Mr. Lyall, the chairman of the Opium Board, stressed the unsatisfactory state of the law in China as regards procedure and the penalties for participation in the illicit traffic. *Reuter.*

OPIUM FOUND IN SUIT-CASE.

THREE ARRESTS: TWO MEN
CONVICTED.

Revenue Officer Young, before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged Li Ying, Li Ping-nan and Lau Guan-kam, with possession of twelve tael of prepared opium on the ground floor of No. 149, Cheung She Wan Road, yesterday.

The first defendant pleaded guilty, but the second and third not guilty.

Revenue Officer Young said that about 11 a.m. yesterday he went to 149, Cheung She Wan, a cubicle which the first defendant said was tenanted by him. On entering, witness saw the other two defendants sleeping. A search was made and a suit-case containing the opium and \$400 in local currency was found. A number of visiting cards bearing the second defendant's name were found in the suit-case.

The second defendant admitted the suit-case belonged to him. Mr. Butters discharged the third defendant and fined the first and second men \$1,440 or six months' each.

CONFIDENCE TRICK AGAIN.

TWO WOMEN SWINDLED
YESTERDAY.

There have been two further instances of the banknote confidence trick, an evergreen swindle which has not lost anything of its effectiveness through repeated operation.

It was reported to police yesterday that Chung Tai-mui, a married woman living at 63, Hollywood Road, suffered the loss of \$213 worth of jewellery by men who commissioned her to change a wad of notes. The parcel supposed to contain these bills was subsequently found to hold nothing more valuable than blank paper.

Chan Wai-yuk, a woman living at 65, Queen's Road Central, had a similar complaint to make to the police when she stated having, half-an-hour previous to the other case, met two men in the street who tricked her into handing over her personal trinkets, amounting in value to nearly \$100.

No arrests have yet been effected in either case.

HONGKONG-CANTON TELEPHONE.

SUBMARINE CABLE LAID
THIS MORNING.

The first section of the Hongkong-Canton trunk telephone cable, so far as the local part of the scheme is concerned, was successfully completed this morning, when the submarine section was laid in the Harbour Cable Reserve.

The work was carried out under the supervision of Mr. J. P. Sherry, manager of the Hongkong Telephone Co., Ltd., and took just a little less than an hour to accomplish.

The laying-down of underground cables is already being carried out in Canton in connexion with the new trunk telephone cable, and as soon as sufficient cable is received in Hongkong, the underground work will also begin here.

There is little doubt that the scheme will be an accomplished fact by August of this year.

LORDS' VIEWS ON DISARMAMENT.

ASSURANCE WANTED FROM
OTHER POWERS.

RISKS OF DELAY.

London, Jan. 29.
In the House of Lords, Lord Dickinson opened a debate on International Disarmament and referred to the Conference which the Council of the League of Nations had decided should meet in February next year.

Viscount Cecil said that while international competition in armaments went on, peace could not be regarded as secure. The question was whether disarmament was possible. He believed it was, and there was a really good chance of its being brought about.

Lord Bridgeman (Conservative) said Britain alone of the European countries had made an enormous reduction in naval strength which could only be justified if they were met by corresponding reductions by other powers. We must all hope for the success of the Conference next year. He hoped the Government would be able to give some comforting assurance that other Powers did propose to reduce, but figures of their expenditure seemed rather to indicate that they were increasing their armaments.

Lord Parmoor, replying for the Government, said he endorsed Lord Cecil's statement. The risk of nations falling again into a condition of progressive armaments rivalry which caused the Great War must by all means be avoided. That meant disarmament.

The Conference next year, said Lord Parmoor, must fill in the actual figures in the skeleton scheme of the League's Preparatory Commission. Without being an alarmist, he could not help feeling that delay meant risk and might bring great difficulties. He paid a tribute to the work of Lord Cecil over many years in the cause of international disarmament. *British Wireless.*

HOME FOOTBALL YESTERDAY.

BRADFORD TAKE POINT AT
PRESTON.

London, Jan. 29.
Preston North End dropped another valuable point to-day, sharing two goals with Bradford at Deepdale.

Two League matches were played resulting as follows:

Second Division.

Preston N.E. 1 Bradford 1

Third Division (North).

Barrow 2 Crewe 0

Second Division.

The amended league tables are appended:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Everton	26	19	4	3	81	40	42
West Ham	26	15	5	6	56	29	35
Tottenham	26	16	2	8	63	33	34
Wolves	25	16	0	9	59	36	32
Preston N.E.	26	12	6	8	60	40	30
Bradford	26	13	3	10	57	41	29
Bury	26	13	3	10	51	46	29
Port Vale	26	13	3	10	51	46	29
Burnley	25	12	6	8	53	51	29
Southampton	26	11	6	9	48	37	28
Oldham	27	10	5	12	37	47	25
Stoke	26	9	6	11	37	50	21
Swansea	26	9	6	12	39	49	23
Charlton	26	8	6	12	36	56	22
Bradford C.	25	8	6	11	34	43	22
Millwall	26	9	3	14	51	60	21
Barnsley	26	7	12	29	45	61	21
Plymouth	26	8	4	14	44	60	20
Notts For.	26	6	8	12	47	59	20
Bristol C.	26	7	6	13	29	63	20
Cardiff	25	7	4	14	39	57	18
Reading	27	6	5	16	40	71	17

Third Division (North).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Lincoln	26	18	4	4	61	29	40
Tranmere	26	17	3	6	82	51	37
Chesterfield	27	16	5	6	61	37	37
Stockport	26	17	3	6	59	35	37
Hull	25	13	6	6	65	35	32
Wrexham	26	13	6	7	60	45	31
Wigan	26	14	2	10	55	62	30
Southport	25	13	3	9	60	45	29
Carlisle	26	13	3	10	58	60	29
Gateshead	24	8	9	7	33	35	25
Accrington	28	10	3	15	53	70	23
Rotherham	26	8	6	12	55	77	22
Rochdale	26	9	4	13	45	64	22
Barrow	27	9	4	14	41	63	22
Hartlepool	25	9	3	13	49	46	21
New Brighton	27	8	5	14	29	62	21
Darlington	26	8	4	14	43	41	20
York	24	9	2	13	45	60	20
Doncaster	26	6	7	13	46	47	19
Crewe	26	9	1	16	40	61	19
Hull City	25	7	5	13	29	68	19
Nelson	26	4	5	17	22	62	13

Arrested on the arrival of one of the Canton boats yesterday with 22 tael of prepared opium concealed in the false bottom of a rattan basket, a Chinese appeared before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning and was remanded till Monday for an opportunity to point out to the police the man whom the defendant said had given him the basket to bring to the Colony.

AMAH SENT TO PRISON.

THEFT FROM MRS. SOMERSET
FITZROY.

STOLE A \$10 NOTE.

Mrs. Somerset Fitzroy, the wife of the Public Prosecutor, to-day appeared before Mr. Williams, at the Central Police Court, as complainant in a case in which she charged Au Man (32), an amah in her employ, with the theft of two spoons, a fork, and a \$10 note.

The defendant pleaded not guilty.

Mrs. Fitzroy stated that she had been looking after the house after sending her "boy" away. She had become rather suspicious of the servants, and, having to go to Aberdeen in a hurry yesterday, she locked all the doors, but overlooked her purse, containing a \$100 bill and a ten-dollar note.

On her return to the house, three quarters of an hour afterwards, she discovered the loss of the ten-dollar note, and, suspecting the amah, who had previously received notice of dismissal, went to the latter's room. Au Man was not there, being in the bathroom upstairs, and, in her absence, witness found the two spoons and the fork inside a basket belonging to the servant, in the room.

Having summoned her, Mrs. Fitzroy said to defendant, holding her purse in one hand and stretching out her other hand: "Missus' money, chop chop." The defendant understood, for she immediately produced it from her pocket and handed it over to witness.

"I would not have brought this charge," Mrs. Fitzroy told the Court, "if she had not acted so ridiculously." Witness had caught up the edge of a quilt belonging to the defendant, with a view to expediting the process of packing-up, it being her intention to dismiss the defendant on the spot and not take further action. However, as soon as witness mentioned "police," just to frighten and hasten her, the defendant proceeded to howl and scream. She kept this up for half-an-hour, and witness said she had to go into the garden to get away from it. "She was shrieking the house down," Mrs. Fitzroy commented.

As to what happened afterwards, Mrs. Fitzroy said she understood the defendant spent a night on the hillside before her arrest.

Mr. Fitzroy, who was in Court, said he was not pressing the charge.

The defendant was convicted and sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment. She was removed from the dock, weeping.

UNION CHURCH MEETING.

TWO COMMITTEES APPOINTED
LAST NIGHT.

At the annual meeting of Union Church, held last night, the following Committees were appointed:

Committee of Management:—Rev. E. G. Powell, Messrs. A. T. Hamilton, J. Mitchell, J. A. Wattle, D. McNeillie, E. Himsforth, P. D. Wilson, C. C. Hickling, M. F. Key, T. S. Whyte-Smith, A. Stevenson, W. Elliott, N. M. Currie and N. Drummond, Jr. (Joint Hon. Treasurers) and J. L. McPherson (Hon. Secretary).

Ladies' Committee:—Mesdames Powell, Purvis, McNeillie, Hamilton, Drummond, Mitchell, Currie, Goodall, P. D. Wilson, McLeod, Pryce and Foster.

TRESPASSER IN A MAGAZINE.

MAN WHO MOVED CASE OF
CARTRIDGES.

A charge of trespassing on military land at Belcher's Fort was brought against a Chinese who appeared before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning, the defendant pleading guilty.

According to Detective Sergeant Meadows, the defendant was found inside the magazine, which had been left open for ventilation. It was not known how he had gained access to the Fort, but it was believed that he had climbed over a wall from Pokfulam Road. Inside the magazine were stored highly explosive goods and one case of cartridges had been actually moved.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$25.

A Chinese case of diphtheria was reported from Kowloon yesterday.

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